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My object in the compilation of this volume is to provide an Introduction, at once easy and comprehensive, for the use of students of Romance Philology and candidates for the Medieval and Modern Languages Tripos at Cambridge, and similar examinations at other Universities.

The literary introduction is necessarily little more than a bare enumeration of facts, and in it I have closely followed Bartsch's *Grundriss zur Geschichte der provenzalischen Literatur*. I am also indebted to the histories of Sismondi, de Laveleye and Fauriel. The Grammar is based upon that of Diez, corrected in matters of detail by the *Tableau Sommaire des Flexions provençales* in the *Chrestomathie* of Bartsch. I have used the text of the latter throughout the Selections, which have been chosen so as to exhibit in some degree the wealth of poetical forms possessed by the Troubadours. I should advise the student to read the selected pieces in the order of arrangement, as, roughly speaking, they increase in difficulty, and the more elementary notes have not been repeated.

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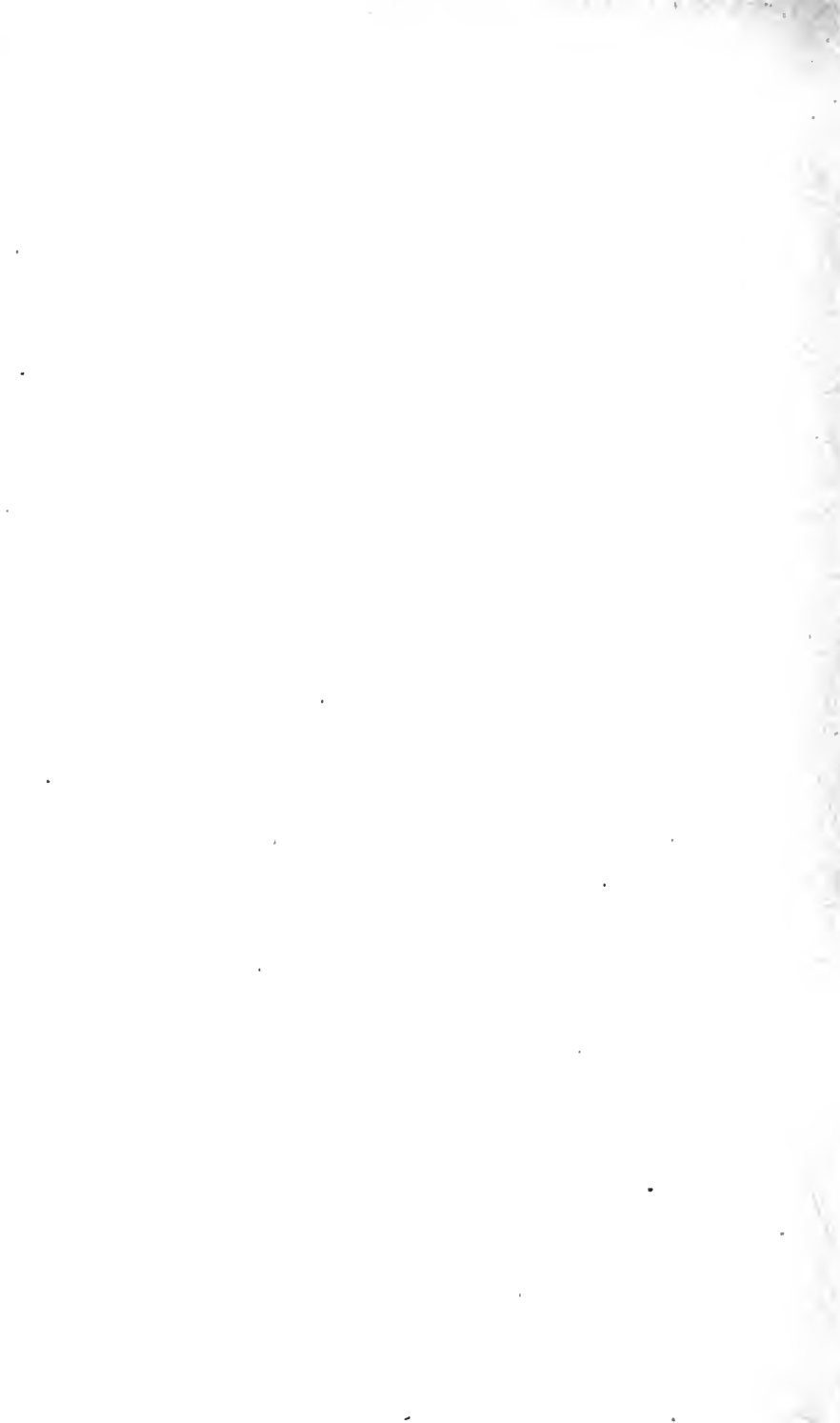
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BOOK I.



LITERATURE.



# FIRST BOOK.

## LITERATURE.

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### CHAPTER I.

#### INTRODUCTORY.

TOWARDS the close of the Imperial administration of the Roman Empire, when the power of the legions had waned, and the chill conditions induced by a tyranny of force ended, there appeared the spectacle of a world comparatively unlettered, a life unsoftened by art, and a military effeteness uncompensated by mental activity. The victorious barbarians had not as yet coalesced with the conquered. Such literature as existed was a remnant of old days in the hands of the regular clergy, an unsympathetic body, who, while doing little or nothing to stimulate intellectual life, yet preserved, however feebly, the treasure that had descended to them. The Latin tongue, once resonant through the known world, had lost its ancient glory. It now served only as the official voice of the Church, or to express the spiritual aspirations of the devout, or as a vehicle of communication between the few scholars whom the period can boast. Beyond a number of Latin hymns, some religious works in prose, and at a later date the Ethics of Scholasticism little of permanent interest was produced. But a change was at hand. Out of this dismal confusion and apathy dawned a brighter epoch and an age instinct with life and song and music.

✓ The awakening to a new life occurred towards the end of the ninth century in the land of Provence. Geographically, the Provençal tongue was confined to that part of France which lies south of the Loire, and to the neighbouring parts of Switzerland, Italy and Spain. The district included within these limits had been subjected to various racial influences,

each of which contributed to form the character of a remarkable people. Here, as elsewhere, *Primus Graius homo*. Six hundred years before Christ, the Phocæans had settled in this secluded corner of the Mediterranean. Cæsar mentions the Greek characters as being still in use in his time; it is, however, certain that the language of Greece had no influence on the later development of Provençal dialects. But the Greeks exercised a lasting influence on the life and manners of Provençal tribes. These rude Gauls were very susceptible to, and in a short time deeply imbued with, the temper of the new colonists, whose bright, careless happiness, festal games, philosophical acuteness and religious ritual seem particularly to have impressed themselves. The simple village festivals of the peasants of Languedoc still exist as a survival of what was acquired by the Gauls of their Phocæan immigrants. Massilia became a large and thriving State, and passing later under Roman influence, assumed the position of an important and highly regarded ally. In the Civil Wars it espoused the side of Pompey, and after being taken by Cæsar lost some of its territory and privileges. Still it did not cease to retain its freedom. Close by was the Roman province of Transalpine Gaul, the Province *par excellence*. As a base from which the turbulent Gauls and proud Iberians could be held in check, the post of governor of the Province came to be regarded as one of the prizes of the successful administrator. The political calm which followed the establishment of the Empire was favourable to literary enterprise. Such efforts were by no means confined to the capital, and at the beginning of the Christian era, the Province is found to have acquired some slight reputation for letters. It numbered Petronius and Ausonius among its poets, and among its historians Trogus Pompeius and Sulpicius Severus. This appearance of a local Latin literature was not without its disadvantages. By stimulating the ever-present regard for the language and ideas of the capital, it did much to delay the



degeneracy of the Latin language, and thus to hinder the development of a truly national literature.

✓ What the philologer loses is often the gain of the historian. The breaking up of a language generally preludes a new birth, and marks its adaptation to new conditions and a new life. So it was in Provence. The decay of Latin was hastened by the action of two new forces exerted on directly opposite sides ; that of the Ostrogoths and Visigoths on the North, and that of the Moors on the South. The influence of the former on the Provençal tongue appears in the loss of inflectional forms and the introduction of a number of words of Teutonic origin, and the effect of conquest is seen in the infusion of a hardier and more independent spirit into the conquered. To what extent Provençal poets were indebted to the Arabians has been long matter of dispute. Some of the earlier writers on Provençal literature, of whom Sismondi is perhaps the most familiar to English readers, have maintained that the literary forms, and often the ideas, of the Troubadours were directly due to them. It is, at any rate, certain that the Moorish conquerors of Spain must be reckoned as a serious factor in the style and feeling of the literature of the period.

The political state of Provence at this time was essentially feudalistic. Government was exercised over small tracts of country by rulers more or less irresponsible, subject only to the supervision and correction of the Feudal Lord. Of common jurisdiction there was none. Each was a law to himself, and the absence of restraint is naturally reflected in the works of the itinerant Troubadours. Although the petty strife of individual chieftains forms a frequent theme of their poems, it is probable that it affected but little the general spirit of peace and contentment in the hearts of the people.

The Latin language has had a numerous offspring, which collectively are termed the Romance or Romanic languages,

and include Old French, Provençal, Modern French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, and dialects found among the Swiss and inhabitants of the basin of the Danube. The manner of their development has been much debated. M. Raynouard, an early and voluminous writer on Romance subjects, maintained that the Provençal language was common to all Latin nations, and that all modern Romance languages were formed from it. The truth of the theory requires either a precisely similar corruption of Latin throughout Southern Europe, or a general diffusion of Provençal over this area from the South of France. Neither of these suppositions is consistent with the facts of history. Grammarians are now agreed that the existing Romance dialects are due to the same general cause, the natural corruption of the Latin tongue following its adoption by the immigrant tribes of the north. Thus in Northern France, the *langue d'oïl* (from Lat. *hoc illud*) came from the Latin spoken by the Franks; in Southern France, the *langue d'oc* (Lat. *hoc*) from the same language spoken by the Ostrogoths, Visigoths and Saracens. There were thus in Provence two languages existing side by side, the *Lingua Latina* and the *Lingua Romana*. The former continued for a time as the language of the polite world, of literature and formal intercourse. The latter, at first the undisputed possession of the common folk, by degrees drove out its more artificial rival. Like all literatures, that of Provence falls into three periods, of birth, maturity and decay.

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## CHAPTER II.

### FIRST PERIOD OF PROVENÇAL LITERATURE.

✓ THE first period of Provençal literature falls within the tenth and eleventh centuries. The art of writing remained almost exclusively in the hands of the Church, and religious

themes for the most part formed the subject of the writers. The first beginnings of intellectual life here, as elsewhere, are to be seen in the epic. The childhood of peoples, no less than that of man, delights in the real and objective. Fitting themes were found in the victories of Charles Martel over the Moors, and in the half-legendary stories of the Court of Charlemagne. The common action of Christendom for the recovery of the Holy Land from the Infidel had drawn men's hearts together and created a general admiration for chivalrous exploits. The remains of early epics, or indeed of epic poetry of any period, are but scanty, but their existence can certainly be affirmed from the poems of North France, which we still possess. Whether Provençal epics were the models on which the others were formed is doubtful. The question of precedence is one which involves the origin of modern literature, or rather of the romantic school which now exercises universal sway. Fauriel, who was professor of Provençal poetry in the University of Paris, in his *Histoire de la Poésie Provençale*, claims an absolute precedence for Provençal writers; all others, he maintains, are but imitators. This, however, is stoutly denied by his opponents. The Troubadours of Provence, even if they were earlier, were not necessarily the models of others, for such writings were common to all Europe. Indeed, the poetry of Provence which remains to us is for the most part subjective and lyric, and on this account probably later than the objective and epical poetry of the Trouvères. Raimon Vidal, an early Provençal grammarian, states the distinction as one recognized even in his time, and it can therefore hardly be thought that he was acquainted with a rich native epical literature, or that it had already disappeared.

However this may be, there is no doubt that there existed a number of smaller epical romances. But they are no longer in existence. The poems were sung, and handed down from generation to generation by word of mouth. Among the

religious poems of the period are a life of Amandus, Bishop of Rhodes, in Alexandrine verse, and a fragment, half religious half profane, entitled "Boethius," chiefly didactic in its nature, containing moralizings on the nothingness of earthly things, drawn from the well-known work of Boethius, *De Consolatione Philosophiæ*. The fragment consists of 258 ten-syllable verses accented on the fourth syllable.

Of lyrical poetry in this period we have but few traces, and its origin must be sought in the Folk-songs. Among the few remaining lyrics may be mentioned a hymn to Mary, resembling in form and melody the Latin *In hoc anni circulo*, of alternate Latin and Provençal stanzas. There is also the *Plaint of S. Stephen (Planh de Sant Esteve)*, a so-called *épître farcie*. The only prose remnant is a translation of part of the Gospel of S. John.

In these early examples we see the language as it were still in embryo. Half- and wholly-Latin words are intermingled, and the *langue d'oc* and the *langue d'oïl* are as yet unseparated. Nothing points to the literary language which was soon to form itself.

The metre commonly employed is the eight-syllable verse, in rhyming couplets and stanzas of four verses. It is doubtful whether the Alexandrine belongs to this period at all, while verses of four, six or seven syllables are uncommon. The rhymes lack the flexibility and variety which they afterwards acquired, but are from the first of remarkable purity. Assonance is often found in place of rhyme.

## CHAPTER III.

### SECOND PERIOD.

✓ THE golden age of Provençal poetry, in which it reached its highest point of perfection, fell in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries. This was the epoch of the Trouba-

dours. Chivalry was the key-note of the period; it had culminated in France, and quickly spread over the whole of Europe. The chivalrous idea inculcated an overwhelming and almost fantastic regard for women; it raised love-making to a formal system. And although this regard for the weaker sex degenerated not rarely into mere gallantry and licentiousness, it none the less originated a new system of customs and ideas, which have left their imprint on all the literatures of modern Europe. The year 1200 marks the climax of the movement. Kings and princes befriended the art of poetry, and were themselves found in the ranks of the Troubadours. The singers went from court to court, and land to land, everywhere welcomed and cared for. They even passed the boundary line of the Provençal language in their wanderings, and introduced the poetry and customs of Southern France into foreign lands.

The thirteenth century marks the gradual decline of the art. The reasons for this deterioration were to some extent political. Kings were compelled to turn their attention to things more serious than verse-making, and complaints of neglect are common in the poetry of the time. The Albigensian crusade went far to destroy the contented gladness of the people. But the seeds of destruction were contained in the art itself. It lost by degrees its spontaneity, and assumed a subtlety of fancy and expression which foreshadowed decadence. The leading characteristic of the century was artificiality of form combined with poverty of ideas. The light and joyous singing of the lover took a more serious vein with the increasing seriousness of the day. The literature became a literature of learning, and the simplicity of former times was lost.

Among the compositions, other than lyrical, of the period, the *roman d'aventures* holds an important place. The most famous of these perhaps is the cycle of Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table. Arthur was the ideal of

knightly valour and virtue, and it is therefore not surprising to find the legends making their way into Brittany. Thence they passed into the literature of North and South France. The only poem connected with this cycle still extant is ✓ *Jaufre*, the work of an unknown author. The poem deals with the adventures of Jaufre, a Knight of the Round Table, his love for the beautiful Brunessa of Monbrun, and its success.

Among the romances of a purely fictional character, the story of Flamenca must be noticed. An outline of the plot is given with the extract among the selections.

Fabliaux and Contes are one of the distinctive features of the poetry of Northern France, but instances are found in all the literatures of the Middle Ages. They were called in Provençal *novas* or *comtes*, and the chief poets of the class were Raimon Vidal and Arnaut de Carcasses.

Religious poetry is well represented. Raimon Feraut wrote a poem on the Passion. The Hymns to the Virgin, which occur so frequently, were doubtless in many cases translations from the Latin. In the same connection may be mentioned the efforts which were made to raise the rather careless morality of the times. These efforts usually took effect in didactic poems, of which some were religious and others ethical. Daude de Pradas, who was a canon at Maguelonne, composed a poem in rhyming couplets on the Four Cardinal Virtues. A work of greater note was the *Seneca* of an unknown author. This poem was quoted in the fourteenth century, and the substance is found in a Middle High-German translation. Moral sentiments were often inculcated in single stanzas, *coblas esparsas*, frequently anonymous. These, too, have much in common with Middle High-German compositions of a like character.

✓ Instances of dramatic poetry are comparatively rare, and even when they occur are probably due to the influence of Northern France. The fragments of a Mystery Play have

been discovered, illustrating the incidents of the Birth of Christ at Bethlehem.

✓ The interest of Provençal prose writings lies mainly in their practical value. Religious works in prose are common, and include sermons and commentaries, translations of parts of the Old and New Testaments, and lives of the Saints. The rules of the Benedictine Order are found in several MSS., and we have a translation of the *Liber Scintillarum* of the Venerable Bede. Of more interest and originality are the historical prose works. Chief among these must be placed the Biographies of the Troubadours. These are extremely numerous, and occur persistently in MSS. both old and recent. The incidents related in these biographies are often ludicrously unimportant. Still they are in the main of great value, and the chief source of our knowledge of Provençal writers. To history proper belongs the story of the crusade against the Albigenses, a prose rendering of a poem of earlier date. ✓ Among the philological works which we still possess are some important grammars and lexicons. The oldest of these is the *Donatus provincialis* of Uc Faïdit, which was written about the beginning of the thirteenth century. The second grammar we possess is that of Raimon Vidal, who is also known as a writer of *novas*. This work was especially written with a view to the assistance of those composing in the Provençal language. ✓ The other prose works of the period comprise treatises on Natural History, Physiology and Medicine.

The speech of this period exhibits a phenomenon which is not seen to the same extent in any other literature of the Middle Ages. I allude to the formation of a common written language. There had originally existed in the different parts of Southern France different dialects, the existence of which is seen in the documents and practical prose literature of the people. But in the poetical literature dialectic peculiarities had been absorbed into one common literary dialect. This

dialect was made use of by the Troubadours of every district. The result was mainly due to the extraordinary literary intercourse of the period. The wandering life led by the Troubadours wore away differences of language. We certainly find variety of expression in different poets, but such variety was not peculiar to certain districts.

In continuous poems the usual metre employed was the old eight-syllable verse in rhyming couplets. With feminine rhymes the verse contained nine syllables. In it are written the chief *romans*, *novas*, legends, most of the learned poetry, and, finally, the dramatic fragments. It is also found in the oldest form of the lyric, the *vers*. Epics were usually written in ten-syllable verses. The *cæsura* falls after the fourth or sixth syllable, or in a feminine verse after the fifth. The Alexandrine, or twelve-syllable verse with a *cæsura* after the sixth syllable, is less common. In didactic poetry, and in most *enseignamens*, rhymed couplets of six-syllable verses are often employed. Lyrical metres are very numerous. The number of syllables, of which a verse is made up, varies from one to twelve, limited only by the fact that the corresponding verse in the strophe must be of the same number.

✓ Verses were united to form strophes, *coblas*. Such were often in three parts, with the peculiarity that the rhymes of the first two parts were arranged in inverse order. The same rhymes are used, as a rule, throughout the poem, but they may be varied either wholly or in part. The art of rhyming ✓ was much cultivated among the poets of Provence. They delighted in piling rhyme upon rhyme, regardless of meaning. In some poems, as in the Sestina, the words are repeated. At the end of the poem comes the *tornada* or *envoi*, when the poet turns from the subject of his poem to a patron or friend, the lady of his heart, his musician, or even to the poem itself. The *envoi* is usually short, and resembles the latter half of the strophe.

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## CHAPTER IV.

## LYRICAL POETRY.

THE Lyric is the central-point of Provençal literature, and the central-point of the Lyric is Love. In the general *cultus* of woman, love had been reduced to the position of a fine art. The Lyric belongs essentially to the age of chivalry, and the poets were generally knights. Even kings and princes were proud to take their places in the ranks of the Troubadours. The court was naturally the *milieu* in which the singers preferred to exercise their art. At the same time, it must be remembered that many of the Troubadours were found among the burghers of Southern France, and the patronage of the cities and of the civic magnates was of great importance when the course of political events compelled the thoughts of kings into more serious channels.

The poetry of the Troubadours may be defined as the expression of the sentiments, customs, thoughts, and habits of society, or at any rate of aristocratic and feudal society, in the Middle Ages. Gallantry, war, and the tournament—such were the chief occupations of the knights of Provence during this period. This triple aspect of life is reflected in the poetry of the Troubadours, who were the companions and confidants of their masters, who shared with them their pleasures, their vices, and their strifes. The courtly poet was called a *trobaire* (obliqu. *trobador*), from *trobar*, to find or invent. The English word *troubadour* comes from the oblique form. The word indicated not so much a creative poet, as one who invented new rhymes or metres. For the most part the poets set their own words to music. Thus, it is said of Peire Vidal, that he excelled in composing, of others, that their verses were superior to their music, and again of others, that they understood neither.

Hence it continually happened that the poet required

someone to accompany him, or even to sing his songs. Such a companion was termed a *joglar*, or in French *jongleur*, from the Latin *joculator*, which, in the later age of the language, signified a musician. The business of the *jongleur* was to accompany and assist those Troubadours who were unable to do justice to their songs. But the chief occupation of the *jongleur* was to act as musician. To such an extent was the art of music cultivated at the time that a good *jongleur* should play seven or eight different instruments. He was also expected to add to his accomplishments the tricks of the conjuror and buffoon. The pair travelled in company, and the *jongleur* was always welcome in the servants' hall. Not unfrequently want of money compelled a Troubadour to adopt the life of a *jongleur*. Women are found in both professions. The *jongleurs* were also the poets of the people. They carried the national epics from house to house and cottage to cottage. They usually accompanied themselves on the violin. Of the popular lyrical poetry we have hardly any traces left. All that can be said with certainty is that the refrain is the basis of all compositions of the kind.

The art-poetry—that of the Troubadours—was nurtured among the numerous courts of the petty rulers, not only in South France, but also in the kingdoms of Castile and Aragon, and amid the flourishing city-states of Italy. Among the most celebrated of its patrons may be mentioned the Counts of Provence, and among them Raimon III.; Alphonsus II. of Aragon; Raimon V. Count of Toulouse, whose court was celebrated for the Troubadours who were attached to it; Richard of the Lion Heart, who introduced the art into England from Poitou, and Eleanor, wife of Louis VII. of France, and afterwards Queen of England. In Italy, there were Bonifazio of Monferrato, afterwards king of Thessalonica; Federigo II. and his son Manfredi; Alberico da Romano and many others.

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## CHAPTER V.

## FORMS OF LYRICAL POETRY.

1. THE oldest and simplest form of Lyrical poetry was called *vers*. This term was applied without distinction of metre to all the old poetry, which, from its simplicity of form and from the preponderance of masculine rhymes, the use of eight-syllable verses, and a slow prolonged melody, recalled the rough and simple songs of the people. Many of the Biographers tell us that in the earlier stages of the language, the *chanson* was unknown, and that all poems were called *vers*.

2. The principal form of the art-poetry was the *canzone*, Prov. *cansos* or *chansos*. It exhibits a richer variety of masculine and feminine rhymes; the verses are of varied length, and the decasyllable is a favourite measure. The melody was quicker and marked by greater swing. The distinctions between *chansos* and *vers* were not always maintained, especially after the disappearance of the Folk-songs. Love formed the chief subject of each, but more especially of the *chansos*. They were also used to express the praise of some patron, grief at his death, or religious sentiments in general. The Troubadour was accustomed to make a kind of divinity of the lady of his heart, and to compose *chansos* to express his devotion. It must not be forgotten that the love *chansos* was often the result of imagination, rather than of passion; and even when the lover had occasion to celebrate a real affection, he adopted a conventional jargon, which was one of the characteristic notes of Provençal poetry. Such may be observed in the customary intricacies of rhyme and in the symmetry and artificiality of arrangement which the poems exhibit. The beauties of nature were a favourite theme with the Troubadours. They sang of the greenness of the fields,

the varied colours of the flowers, the murmuring of streams and swaying of branches, the song of birds and glories of the sun and sky, and especially of the return of spring. But it must be confessed that there was in this much of artificiality. The great similarity of many of the love *chansos* of the Troubadours must be regarded as a necessary consequence of the times. The poet celebrated the charms of ladies to whom he had not always access.

Another form of the *chansos* was the *chansoneta*, which hardly differed in form or idea. The *meja chanso* was one of not more than three stanzas, of which the verses were usually half the customary length.

3. Another important form was the *sirventes*, or *serventes*. The name came from the Latin *servire*, because the poem was usually composed in the service of some patron. It has been suggested that this form of lyrical composition was at first used exclusively in religious service, and afterwards extended to grave and moral subjects. At any rate, from the *serventes* proper love was jealously excluded. Others suggest that the word refers to the form or melody of the composition being severely and uniformly maintained. The *serventes* was usually the vehicle of virulent satires against individuals or entire classes. It is certainly remarkable to note with what freedom the satire is directed against the most prominent and powerful people of the time. The vices of society were lashed unmercifully, and these poems naturally throw great light on the manners and morals of the age.

There are also instances of *chansos* and *serventes* combined.

4. The plaint, *planh*, was usually a lament for the death of a patron. As the patrons were frequently of high station, it often assumes a political character. In some cases the loss of a mistress or friend is the subject. The ten-syllable verse is usually employed, possibly because of its stately character.

5. The tenzone, *tensos*, was a form of composition much cultivated by the Troubadours. It generally took the form

of a discussion in dialogue of some question of love, morals, religion or chivalry. The *jocx partitz* (Fr. *jeu parti*) was so called because the disputants shared the discussion between them. This was also called a *partimens* or *partida*. If the interlocutors were more than two, the tenzone took the name of *tornejaments*, and if the question was of love, it was called a *jocx d'amor* or *jocx enamoratz*.

Usually in a tenzone the poet placed two aspects of a question before his adversary, inviting him to defend one of them. In the second stanza the adversary endeavoured to prove the superiority of the view which he was maintaining; in the third, the original speaker combated his arguments, and so forth. Finally arbiters were invoked to decide the point at issue. The manner differed hardly at all from that observed in the bucolic dialogues of Virgil and Theocritus. The second speaker was compelled to observe the rhymes used in the first stanza. It was an exercise of skill in which the Troubadours delighted.

6. There are a number of poetical forms based upon variations of the refrain. These are mostly of popular origin.

In the romance, *roman*, which is lyrical at least in form, the poet speaks in the first person. He usually relates some love-adventure which has happened to himself. The oldest example is a romance of licentious tone by William of Poitou.

The *balada* and *dansa* were essentially popular. The names explain themselves. They were meant to be sung in the dance, or to mark the time for another. More attention was paid to the melody than the thought. They were usually of three verses, at the end of each of which comes the refrain.

The *retroensa* corresponds to the French *retourne*, so called because the refrain appears at the end of each verse.

The *alba* is usually in dramatic form, and laments the parting of lovers at the approach of dawn. In the refrain the

word *alba* is frequently repeated. Later poets celebrate in the *alba* the approach of solemn religious festivals.

The *serena* was a poem of rejoicing at the approach of eventide. Both *serena* and *alba* are of popular origin.

The *pastourelle* (Prov. *pastorela* or *pastoreta*) is not so common among the Provençals as among the French. It was a poem full of grace and love of nature, usually, as the name implies, of a pastoral character; often a conversation with a shepherdess in dramatic form. The *pastorela* is marked by long stanzas and short verses.

The *vaquiera*, in which a cowherd converses with a shepherdess, is an offshoot of the *pastorela*. Other varieties are found in the Leys d'amor, such as the *porquiera*, *auquiera*, *vergiera*, &c.

✓ 7. Among the lyrical forms owed to religious poetry the *descort* is perhaps the most important. It originated in the Sequence of the Mass. The peculiarity of the *descort* rests in the fact that its verses and strophes are not continuous and similar. Each line has its own peculiar melody, but the whole poem is completely unsymmetrical. Hence the name *descort*. It often serves for the expression of unrequited love.

8. Among the more artificial and less important varieties, the following are worthy of remark.

✓ The *sestina* is a variation of the canzone. The poem consists of six stanzas and an envoi. Each stanza contains six verses. The words that conclude the verses of the first stanza are repeated in regularly varied order throughout the poem, and all six appear in the three lines of the envoi. { Arnaut Daniel invented the metre, and Mr. E. W. Gosse has given an English example in his "New Poems."

The *sonnet* is a peculiarly Italian metre. Two instances are found in Provençal, but they are both by Dante da Majano, an Italian.

The *cansos redonda* resembles the *sestina*, with the ex-

ception that rhymes are used in place of the identical words.

The *breu-doble* is a poem in three four-lined stanzas with an envoi.

9. Among poems lyrical in feeling but not in form must be mentioned the *breus, letras*. The usual form in which they occur is in rhyming couplets of eight-syllable verses. They are called *salutz* when the poet begins with a salutation to his mistress, and *domnejaire* when the poem opens and ends with the word *domna*. Arnaut de Maroill is the principal writer of such love letters.

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## CHAPTER VI.

### INFLUENCE OF THE TROUBADOURS BEYOND PROVENCE.

THE influence of the poetry of Provence on the other literatures of the Middle Ages was confined to the lyric, already shown to be the central-point of Provençal literature. As the earliest in point of development, it could not fail to impress its characteristics on the lyrical poetry of the surrounding European peoples. To take, in the first place, the Trouvères of North France. Their lyrical poetry was in idea not less than in form a complete and feeble imitation of that of Provence. Far inferior in value, it confines itself to the expression of individual feelings, and seldom leaves the well-beaten path of conventional thought. The *serventes* is cultivated but little, and has by no means the same political importance as in the south. The French lyric is independent only in the popular poetry, such as the *roman* and *pastourelle*. The *ballade* is cultivated later, and under Italian influence. Abundant proof of the intimate connection of the two literatures is to be found in the Provençal songs quoted in French MSS., but French

songs in Provençal MSS. are much less common. Provençal lyric poetry influenced the German Minnesängers through the medium of the French. But the influence was occasionally direct, and instances are not wanting of translations of Provençal poems. German writers, too, seem to have occasionally written in the Provençal language. On Italian lyrists the influence of the poetry of the Troubadours is very great, and is seen in two ways. Many Italian writers composed in Provençal, and all the old Italian lyrical poetry is modelled upon that of Provence. We know that Dante made a special study of Provençal literature (*de vulgari eloquio*); he quotes many writers by name, and even puts a few Provençal lines in the mouth of Arnaut Daniel (*Purgat.* 26, 140). Two Provençal sonnets are extant, the work of an Italian, Dante da Majano. Francesco da Barberino made an equally thorough study of Provençal, and in the fourteenth century Boccaccio, and still more Petrarch. Italian literature freed itself from this influence, and won its freedom by an adherence to classical models. The Catalan poets were originally Provençal themselves, and it is therefore not strange that their form and ideas should be completely borrowed from their neighbours. The Portuguese lyrical poetry was also subject to the same influence.

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## CHAPTER VII.

### THIRD PERIOD.

THE third period of Provençal literature includes the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries. The old traditions were still powerful, but the literature lost its national importance along with the political independence of the State at the end of the thirteenth century. No new genius arose to direct the



literary strivings of the people into new paths, and what we have left of this period is but the echo of a glorious past.

Epic poetry received a great stimulus from the political superiority of France, but the lyric still continued to be the strength of Provençal writers. It was now, however, an artificial bloom, and lacked the natural vigour of former years. Toulouse was the centre of the learned craft. Here in the year 1323, seven of the citizens formed themselves into a society, under the title of *la sobregaya companhia dels set trobadors de Tolosa*. Their meetings were held in a garden in the street of S. Augustine. Poetical contests took place on the first Sunday of May in each year. They styled themselves devotees *del gay saber*, "of the gay science." The prizes, which were given for the best poems, were called *joyas del gay saber*; the very association, which was formally constituted in 1324, was termed the *consistori de la gaya sciensa*. At its head were a Chancellor and seven *mantenedors*. The first prize was a golden violet, given to the best writer of a *chanso*, a *vers*, or *descort*. A wild rose of silver was the second prize, given for a *serventes*, *pastourelle* or hymn to the Virgin. The composer of the best *dansa* received the third prize, a silver marigold. The Chancellor was instructed to draw up a code of poetical laws, and the work appeared in 1356. As time went on, the association developed; a species of University was formed, and formal degrees in grammar and poetry conferred. From these distinctions the heretic was rigidly excluded. It is worthy of remark that love was dethroned; no singer dared to celebrate his conquests; the only form of love admissible was devotion to the Almighty and the Holy Mother. Women were debarred from the competition. Plagiarism was strictly forbidden. The winner of three prizes was entitled a *trobador*. The whole system bore a close resemblance to the German schools of *Meistersängers*.

The work of the association was not confined to Toulouse, and societies with like rules were established in Catalonia and

V Aragon. Towards the end of the fifteenth century, we find the poetical Academy of Toulouse in danger of disruption, through the establishment of the *jeux floraux* by Clemence, a rich lady of the town.

In lyric poetry, the chief forms of the older Troubadours were still retained, the *vers*, the *chansos*, and the *serventes*. The *tenzone* was no longer cultivated. Of popular forms, the *dansa* and *pastourelle* remained, but the conception of each was much changed.

The language of the period was marked by the development of dialectic peculiarities, and by the increasing influence of the French language, due to the political superiority of Northern France. Even those districts, which guarded most jealously the purity of the *langue d'oc*, were unable to withstand the tendency of the times. In the works of the Toulouse school, French words and expressions are continually occurring. The same phenomenon is apparent in the later compositions of the Meistersängers.

The art of the singers fell contemporaneously with the language. The rhymes, which had been of the utmost purity in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, became impure and monotonous. The favourite metre was the eight-syllable verse, while the remainder were treated with more or less neglect. The poems exhibit a want of originality in form only equalled by their want of originality in idea. The literature reflected the general decadence of the period. There is something sad in the gradual sinking of a literature, at one time celebrated throughout Europe, and which must be prized as the original fruit of the romantic spirit of the Middle Ages.

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BOOK II.



THE LANGUAGE OF PROVENCE.



## SECOND BOOK.

### THE LANGUAGE OF PROVENÇE.

#### CHAPTER I.

##### LETTER-CHANGE AND PRONUNCIATION.

##### 1.—Vowels, Diphthongs, etc.

The simple vowels *a, e, i, o, u* were sounded in Provençal in much the same way as in modern Italian; with this exception that the double sound of *e* and *o*, *i.e.* open or close, was not precisely observed; at least it has no influence upon rhyme.

In place of *i* the vowels *y* or *j* are found in some MSS.; *e.g.* **major** for **maior**; **vaire** or **vayre**; **clamaraj** for **clamarai**.

In the same way consonantal *u* stands for *v*; *e.g.* **uejaire** for **vejaire**.

In the diphthongs, as in Italian, each vowel retains its proper force.

Among *pure* diphthongs are found, *ai, ei, oi, ui, au, eu, iu, ou*.

Among *impure* diphthongs, *ia, ie, ue, uo*. The last two are often interchanged.

Collocations of three vowels are not uncommon, as *iei, uei* or *oei, ieu, uei*.

##### 2.—Consonants.

These may be divided in the usual manner into :

A.—Mutes, hard *c (k, qu)*, *p, t*.

soft *g, b, d*.

B.—Semi-vowels, liquids, *l, r*.

nasals, *m, n*.

Hard spirants, *h, s, f*.

Soft spirants, *j, z, v*.

##### A.—MUTES.

A soft medial mute when final or followed merely by the *s* or *z* of flexion becomes the corresponding hard letter.

This is an important rule in Provençal sound-lore of almost universal application. Thus *c* takes the place of *g, p* of *b, t* of *d, f* of *v* and *tz* of *z*.

Thus we find **trobar** but **trop** (I find).

**pregar** but **prec** (I pray).

**cuidar** but **cuit** (I think).

Thus we find **servar** but **serf** (I preserve).

**nutz** *Fem. nuda* (naked).

**lars** *Fem. larga* (large).

The same change takes place in the case of *v* and *u* ; thus :

**vius** (**vivs**) *Fem. viva* (living).

**braus** (**bravs**) *Fem. brava* (brave).

In old MSS. the rule is occasionally disregarded.

*C* is often represented by *s* or *ss*. The slight difference in pronunciation was disregarded in rhyme.

Thus we find **jacer**, **jazer**, **jaser**, **jasser** (to lie down); **grazir**, **gracir**, **grasir** (to give thanks). Also when initial, as **cima**, **sima** (summet).

*Ch* approaches the Italian pronunciation of *c*.

*Qu* is sounded like a hard *c*, *i.e.* like the Italian *c* before *a*, *o*, *u* and *ch* before *e* and *i*. Thus in Prov. *c* and *qu* are often interchanged, **quant**, **cant**.

*K* takes the place of *qu* or hard *c*, *e.g.* **ki** for **qui**.

*P* and *B* are sounded as in Italian. A parasitic *p* is often found between *m* and *n* ; *e.g.* **dompna** for **domna** (lady).

*T* alternates with *c* in the third person singular of the perfect indic., *e.g.* **amet** or **amec** (he loved).

After *t*, *s* is softened down to *z*. This is sometimes written *tz*, *ts* or simply *s*.

*D* alternates with *z*, as **audir**, **auzir** (to hear), **veder**, **vezer** (to see).

*G* preserves its hard sound before the vowels *a* *o*, or before another consonant.

*Gu* before a soft vowel corresponds to the Italian *gh*, as in **guerra**.

In MSS. before a hard vowel *gu* alternates with *g*, as **preguar**, **pregar**.

Before *e* and *i*, *g* has the soft *j* sound.

*G* final often takes the place of *ch*.

#### B.—SEMI-VOWELS.

The liquid *l* generally becomes *u* at the end of a syllable. The MSS. have both forms : *e.g.* **altre** and **autre** ; **maldir**, **maudir**, to curse.

The soft and liquid sound of *l* (in Italian *gl*) is expressed in Provençal by *lh*, and sometimes by *ll* (especially after *i*) :

*e.g.* **melhs**, **meills**, **mielhs**, **miellz** are all forms of the same word; **meravilha**, **meravilla** (Fr. *merveille*).

The liquid *r* at the beginning of a word has the rough Italian sound; a single *r* medial or final has a softer sound, but if doubled it retains the rough sound.

The nasals *m* and *n* are pronounced as in Italian. In Provençal they never have the nasal sound which they possess in French.

Final *n* is separable or inseparable. Shortly it may be said to be stable and inseparable when *not* the final letter of the clipt stem of the Latin primitive. Thus the *n* is stable in **gran** from Lat. **gran-dem**; **dan** from Lat. **dam-num** or **dan-num**. It is unstable in **bon** (nom. **bo-s**) from Lat. **bon-um**; **son** or **so** from Lat. **son-um**. The unstable *n* did not affect the pronunciation, and we often find it added to words which were without it in Latin; thus **fo** or **fon** (Lat. *fuit*).

The liquid sound of *n* (Italian *gn*) was expressed in Provençal by *nh*, which represents the Latin *ni*; thus **campanha**, It. **campagna**, Lat. **campania**. In some MSS. *gn* is found for *nh*, *e.g.* **segner** for **senher**, It. **signor**.

Initial *h* was not pronounced, and was written or omitted indifferently. It is important when used in conjunction with *c*, *l*, and *n*.

The letter *s* between two vowels has a soft *z* sound, and the latter letter is often found in its place; thus **rosa** or **roza**.

The hard sound of *s* is expressed by *ss* either between two vowels or following a consonant, especially *r* or *n*.

For *ss* in some MSS. is found *sh*.

The letters *f* and *v* were pronounced as in Italian. When final *v* was followed by the *s* of flexion, it was vocalized to *u* as **vius** from **viv-s**.

The letter *j* is used to express a soft *g* before the hard vowels, as **joja** (It. **gioia**). In some MSS. it represents the vowel *i*. Sometimes it represents a softened form from *tj* or *tg*, as **jubar** for **jutjar**, **jutgar**, or **jujhar**.

The letter *z* was expressed indifferently by *s*, *ss*, and *ç*. It was pronounced very similarly to *s*. The letter *z* is used at the end of a work in place of the *s* of flexion after a dental, as **nutz** for **nud-s** (*v.* letter *t*).

The double letter *x* was generally replaced by *s* except when final. It is used to express the *s* of flexion after *c*, thus **amicx** for **amics**; **locx** for **locs**.

TABLE ILLUSTRATING LETTER-CHANGE IN ROMANCE LANGUAGES.

<i>Letter.</i>	<i>Latin.</i>	<i>Provençal.</i>	<i>Italian.</i>	<i>Spanish.</i>	<i>Old French.</i>	<i>Mod. French.</i>
au	causa	causa chausa	cosa	cosa	chose cose	chose
b	habere	coza aver	avere	haber	cause	cause
c	amicus	amic	amico	amigo	avoir, aver	avoir
	castellum	castel chastel	castello	castillo	ami, amin chastel	ami château
	oculus	olh, oilh	occhio	ojo	oil, œil	œil
cl	ecclesia	gleiza	chiesa	iglesia	eglise, iglise	église
ct	factus	fait, fach, fag	fatto	hecho	fait, faict	fait
	octo	oit, ueich	otto	ocho	uit, oit	huit
d	audire	audir, auzir	audire	oir	odir, oir	ouir
g	reg-em	rei-s	re	rey	roi, rei, rai	roi
	regalis	rejal, real	regale	real	roial, regiel	royal
	gaudium	joja	gioia	gozo	joye	joie
j	major	majer, maer	maggiore	mayor	maire	majeur



<i>Letter.</i>	<i>Latin.</i>	<i>Provençal.</i>	<i>Italian.</i>	<i>Spanish.</i>	<i>Old French.</i> <i>Mod. French.</i>
l	filius	filh, fill	figlio	nijo	fil
lt	cultellum	coutel	coltello	cuchillo	couteau
o	bonus	bon	buono	bueno	bon, buon,
					buen
ae	caelum	cel	cielo	cielo	bon
p	sapere	saber, saver	sapere	saber	ciel
qu	aqua	aigua	acqua	agua	saver, sçavoir
					savoir
					aigue, aue,
					eau
r	peregrinus	pelegri	pelligrino	peregrino	eau
		pellerin			pelerin
s	status	estat	stato	estado	estat
sc	scribere	escriure	scrivere	escribir	écrire
	scutarius	escudier	scudiere	escudero	escuyer,
					esquier
t	pater	paire, paer	padre	padre	écuyer
ti	prudentia	pruzencia	prudenza	prudencia	père
	ratio	razo, raizo	razione	racion	prudence
x	lux	lutz	luce	luz	reson, raixon
					raison
					luxe

## CHAPTER II.

## REMARKS ON INFLEXIONS.

IN respect of inflexions Provençal holds an intermediate place between Latin and the modern Romance languages. Inflexions were for the most part used to express difference of number, gender, and person. With regard to gender there is an important point to notice, viz.: that the neuter gender had been entirely lost, except in so far as neuter adjectives were used as adverbs. The tendency of classical Latin had always advanced towards the assimilation of neuter and masculine forms, and in the Latin of Plautus and the popular literature of the day, and above all in the ordinary conversation of the motley crowds who went to form the Roman Empire, there are numerous examples. Lamented as this tendency was by the Grammarians and Stylists of the period, it was impossible to avert changes due to an overpowering disinclination on the part of newly-conquered and barbarous tribes to master the elaborate system of flexional endings which the Latin language possessed. Hence arose the disuse of the neuter gender, and the loss of the majority of the Latin cases. In fact, so thoroughly was the work done, that only two out of the six Latin cases survived. The stem of the Latin word, because it appeared in the five oblique cases, was retained to form a new oblique or objective case which was to serve all purposes. To this, after the analogy of the mother-tongue, the letter *s* was commonly added to form the nominative, or case of the subject. The so-called vocative case, which was in reality no case at all, but merely an interjectional use of the stem, and which existed in Latin, as a rule, only in the case of Greek derivatives, is represented in Provençal sometimes by the nominative, sometimes by the oblique case. But for the most part it will require notice only under the few words in which it takes the form of the oblique.

## THE NOUN SUBSTANTIVE AND ADJECTIVE.

As the substantive differs essentially from the Adjective only in the matter of gender, it appears simpler to consider their forms of inflexion together.

The Provençal Nouns may be divided into three declensions.

FIRST DECLENSION.

The first declension comprises stems in -a, and includes all Substantives of the first declension in Latin, and the Feminines of all Adjectives similarly declined.

*Examples: corona, Fem. a crown; artista, Masc. an artist; and bela, Fem. of bel-s, beautiful.*

*Singular.*

<i>Stem.:</i>	corona	artista	bela
<i>Nom.:</i>	corona	artista	bela
<i>Oblique:</i>	corona	artista	bela

*Plural.*

<i>Nom.:</i>	corona-s	artista	bela-s
<i>Obl.:</i>	corona-s	artista-s	bela-s

It will be noticed that Feminine Nouns of the first declension remain unchanged in the singular, and form the Plural by adding *s* to the stem; that the Masculine Nouns differ from them in the Nom. plural, in which case they suffer no change, assuming the case-ending only in the Oblique. The *s* of the Plural in this and other declensions, is due to the fact that the Latin Accusative was so formed, and that that was the case most in use at the time of the degeneration of the language.

SECOND DECLENSION.

The second declension comprises:—

1. Latin Nouns of the 2nd and 4th declensions in **-er, -us, -um, -u**, and the Masculine Gender of similar Adjectives.
2. The greater part of Masculine and Neuter Nouns of the 3rd declension, and Adjectives of one termination.
3. Infinitives used as Substantives.

The stem-vowel was lost as a rule, but retained for reasons of euphony in Nouns in which it was preceded by two Consonants, but in this case it was weakened to *e*.

*Examples: an-s, Masc. a year; bel-s, Masc. Adj. beautiful; poble-s, Masc. people;*

*Singular.*

<i>Stem :</i>	an	bel	poble
<i>Nom. :</i>	an-s	bel-s	poble-s
<i>Obl. :</i>	an	bel	poble

*Plural.*

<i>Nom. :</i>	an	bel	poble
<i>Obl. :</i>	an-s	bel-s	poble-s

The use of the *s* in the formation of the *Nom.* comes directly from the Latin.

There are several peculiarities which arise from assimilation, which takes place on addition of the formative *s*; these will be noticed at the end of the third declension.

Notes :—

1. Several proper names, which may or may not have *s* in the *Nom.*, form the Oblique in *-on*, *-o*.

*Examples :* **Peire**, **Peire-s**, *Obliq.* **Peiron**, **Peiro**, from Lat. **Petrus**, stem **Petro**.

**Karle**, **Karle-s**, *Obliq.* **Karlon**, **Karlo**, from Lat. **Carolus**, stem **Carolo**.

It is to be noticed in these examples (i) that in the Nominative the stem vowel weakens from *o* to *e*; (ii) that final *n* was a sound of slight importance. Its presence or absence seems to have affected rhyme but little.

2. A survival of the Lat. genitive plur. in *-orum* is seen in the words **christianor**, **payanor**, &c.

3. The Vocative of words of this declension sometimes has, sometimes has not the *s* of flexion.

## IRREGULAR SUBSTANTIVES.

1. **clerc-s** (Lat. **clericus**) sometimes drops the stem vowel, sometimes modifies the *o* to *e*.

*Nom. :* **clerc-s**, **clerc-x**, **clergue-s**, **clerge-s**.

*Obl. :* **clerc**, **clergue**, **clerge**.

2. **com-s** (Eng. *Count*. Lat. **comes**, stem **comit**).

*Sing. Nom. :* **com-s**. *Obl. :* **comte**, **compte**.

*Plur. Nom. :* **comte**. *Obl. :* **comte-s**.

3. **om** (Eng. *man*. Lat. **homo**, stem, **homin**).

*Sing. Nom. :* **om**, **ome**, **hom**, **home**, **homs**.

*Obl. :* **om**, **home**.

*Plur. Nom. :* **ome**, **home**, **omne**, **ome-s**.

*Obl. :* **ome-s**, **home-s**, **omne-s**, **hom-s**.

4. *Nom.* poble-s. *Obl.* pobol. *Nom.* disciple-s. *Obl.* discipol (cf. Lat. stems *populo-*, *discipulo-*).

## THIRD DECLENSION.

The third declension comprises all the feminine words of the Latin third declension, and the masculine and neuter words which have become feminine in Provençal. It also includes the peculiar feminine forms of adjectives of one termination.

## A. Regular declension.

*Examples*: **flor-s**, *Fem.* a flower (Lat. *flos*, stem *flor*).

*Sing. Nom.* flor-s. *Obl.* flor. *Plur. Nom.* flor-s. *Obl.* flor-s.

## B. Words which displace the accent, for the most part from Latin imparisyllables of the third declension.

1. Latin termination **-tor**, **-toris**.

*a. Sing. Nom.*: -aire, -s, *Plur. Nom.*: -ador, -adors  
-adre. (later)

*Obl.*: -ador, *Obl.*: adors, -ados,  
-ator. -ayres.

*e.g.* **Empereire** (imperator); **peccaire** (peccator). *Obl.* **Emperador**, **peccador**.

*b. Sing. Nom.*: -eire, *Plur. Nom.*: -edor, later, -edors, edos.  
-eires

*Obl.*: -edor. *Obl.*: -edors.

*c. Sing. Nom.*: -ire, *Plur. Nom.*: -idor, later, -idors.  
-ires.

*Obl.*: -idor *Obl.*: -idors, -idos.

*d. Sing. Nom.*: -tre *Plur. Nom.*: -tor.

*Obl.*: -tor. *Obl.*: -tors.

*e.g.* **pastre**, *Obl.* **pastor** (Lat. *pastor*).

The accent being thrown in the *nom. sing.* on the penult, **emperador** became **emperadre** or **emperatre**, which became in their turn **empereire**, and to this the suffix *s* was afterwards sometimes added. Its addition in the *nom. plur.* marks a later stage of the language, and the *r* then sometimes dropped out in accordance with a common euphonic change.

2. Lat. terminations **-o**, **-onis**.

*Sing. Nom.*: **bar**, **bars**, *Plur. Nom.*: **baro**, **baron**.  
**baron**, (voc. **baros**).

*Obl.*: **baro**, **baron**. *Obl.*: **baros**, **barons**.

Lat. stem, **baron**, the *n* having little power was inserted or omitted indifferently.

The following words are similar :—

<i>Nom. Sing.</i>	<i>Obl. Sing.</i>	<i>English.</i>
baile, bailes	bailo, bailon	bailiff
companhs	companho	companion
companhos	companhon	"
falx	falco, falcon	falcon
fels	felo, felon	felon
glotz	glotto, glotton	glutton
laire	lairó, lairon	robber
Ucs, Ugs, Ugo	Ugo, Ugon	} Proper Names
Dranges	Drango	
Folque, Folques	Falco, Falcon	

The following also owe their *Nom.* forms to a like displacement of the accent.—

abas	<i>Obl.</i> abat	
enfans, enfas, efas	<i>Obl.</i> enfant, efant	
neps	<i>Obl.</i> nebot	
senher	<i>Obl.</i> senhor	
sor, sorre	<i>Obl.</i> seror	<i>Plural.</i> serors

#### NOTES ON THE DECLENSION OF NOUNS.

On the addition of the case ending *s*, it may be observed :—

- i. That the use of *s* in the *Nom. Sing.*, is by no means universal ; instances of omission may be found in the writings of the best known of the Troubadours. In the earlier literary documents the rule was observed with some strictness, but afterwards it was inserted, or not, merely in accordance with the exigences of rhyme. It seems certain that it had been lost altogether in the common speech of the people before the time of Raymond Vidal. In the fourteenth century it was restored to its old position in the *Leys d'amors*, a work of academic and literary interest, but, from its conscious affectation of antique forms, of little use to inquirers into the actual tendencies of the language. (Cf. the selection given below from the *Donatus provincialis* of Uc Faidit.)

2. That there are several words which regularly, and in all stages of the language, reject the *s* of the Nom. Sing. The words are derived from Latin words not ending in *s* in the Nom., *e.g.*, **maistre** (**magister**, Eng. master, rarely **maistres**), **prestre**, **pestre** (Eng. priest), **molher** (rarely **molhers**, Lat. **mulier**, Eng. wife), **fraire** (Lat. **frater**, Eng. brother), **maire** (Vocat. **maires**, Lat. **mater**, Eng. mother), **paire** (rarely **paires**, Lat. **pater**, Eng. father), **om**, Eng. man (*v.* second decl. *ad fin*).

To these must be added Nouns derived from Latin terminations, **-ium** (Prov. **-i**) and **-aticum** (Prov. **-atge**), *e.g.*, **benefici** (**beneficium**), **viatge** (**viaticum**).

3. The Vocative sometimes follows the Nominative, sometimes the oblique form.  
4. Nouns, the stems of which end in a dental, are inflected with *z* in place of *s*.

*E.g.*, **cortz** (court), **noitz** (night), **vertatz** (truth), **vertutz** (virtue), **nutz** (naked, Latin, **nudus**).

In words like these, the final Consonant of the stem is assimilated to the case-ending, and is often dropped altogether. The change of *s* to *z* occurs after *l*, but rarely, as **filz** (son).

5. Nouns, in which the stem ends in **-st**, reject the thematic *s* when assuming the *s* of flexion.

*E.g.*, **Crist**, Nom. **Critz**, **trist** (sad), Nom. **tritz**.

The same thing may be seen in Verbs: *e.g.*, **etz** for Lat. **estis**, and **cantetz** from Latin **cantavistis**, **cantastis**.

6. When the stem of a Noun ends in *c*, the ending *s* often becomes *x*, and the thematic *c* is then sometimes dropped.

*E.g.*, **amicx**, **locx**, **jocx**, **ricx**, stand for **amics**, **locs**, **jocs**, **rics**.

7. Through the attempt to assimilate the final Consonants of the stem to the *s* of flexion, it very commonly happens that these letters become modified or disappear altogether.

Nom. :	<b>ser-s</b>	(serv-s)	Oblique :	<b>serf</b>	=	slave
	<b>cer-s</b>	(cerv-s)		<b>cerf</b>	=	stag
	<b>mon-s</b>	(mont-s)		<b>mont</b>	=	world
	<b>here-s</b>	(hered-s)		<b>hered</b>	=	heir

*Nom.*: **bo-s** (bon-s)      *Oblique*: **bon** = good  
**larc-s** (larg-s)      **larg** = large

(See also remarks on Adjective.)

8. Nouns, the stems of which end in *s*, do not admit the *s* of flexion, and may therefore be regarded as indeclinable.

*a.* Nouns from Lat. clipt stems in *-s* as, **nas** (**nasus**, nose), **sens** (**sensus**, sense), **ors** (**ursus**, bear), **mes** (= **mens** from **mensis**, month).

*b.* Lat. stems in *-sc*.

**peis** (**piscis**, fish), **fais** (**fascis**, rod).

*c.* Lat. stems in *-c*.

**raïtz** (**radix**, stem **radic-**, root).

*d.* Lat. stems in *-ti*.

**pretz** (**pretium**, price).

Also words from similar clipt stems.

At a later date, plurals in *-es* were sometimes used.

9. Those Nouns are also indeclinable which are derived from Latin Neuters in *-us*.

**cors** (**corpus**, body), **latz** (**latus**, side), **ops**, **obs** (**opus**, work), and many others.

10. To these may be added Adjectives derived from Latin Adjectives in *-osus*, *e.g.*, **glorios** (**gloriosus**).

(For the Fem. of these Adjectives, see under Adjective.)

11. The word **dons** is also indeclinable, and is often found compounded with the Pronouns, **midons**, **sidons** (my lady, &c.).

## CHAPTER III.

### THE ADJECTIVE.

EXAMPLES of the declension of Adjectives have already been given under the Substantive, but for the sake of those who value the distinction, the declension is given in full below, but points of letter-change, &c., are noticed only so far as they are peculiar to the Adjective.

Adjectives are either (i) of two terminations, with distinct Masculine and Feminine endings, or (ii) of one termination, in which for the most part distinct Feminine endings are wanting.



I.—ADJECTIVES OF TWO TERMINATIONS.

The Masculine follows the second declension, the Feminine the first.

*Examples:* **bel-s** (beautiful), **bo-s** (good), **pur-s** (pure).

*Masculine.*

*Feminine.*

*Singular:* (stem, bel, bon, pur)

*Nom.:* bel-s, bo-s, pur-s

bela, bona, pura

*Obl.:* bel, bon, pur

bela, bona, pura

*Plur. Nom.:* bel, bon, pur

bela-s, bona-s, pura-s

*Obl.:* bel-s, bo-s, pur-s

bela-s, bona-s, pura-s

It is to be noticed:—

1. That the addition of the *s* in many cases modifies the stem, and that, of course, when the *s* is not added the stem is not modified. Accordingly, Adjectives modified in the *Nom. Sing.* revert to their original form in the *Fem.*, *e.g.*, **bo-s** (**bon-s**), *Fem.* **bona**, good; **fi-s** (**fin-s**), *Fem.* **finā**; **jauzion-s** (**jauziond-s**), *Fem.* **jauzionda**, joyous.

In the above cases the vowel has altogether disappeared; in the following it is merely modified in the *Masc.* **larc-s** (**larg-s**), *Fem.* **larga**, large; **nut-z** (**nud-s**), *Fem.* **nuda**, naked.

2. Adjectives ending in *v* change the consonantal *v* to *u*, on the addition of the *s*, while the *v* re-appears in the *Feminine*: *e.g.*, **viv-s** becomes **viu-s**, *Fem.* **viva**, alive; **brav-s** becomes **brau-s**, *Fem.* **brava**, brave. The only exception is in the case of **piu-s**, which preserves in the *Feminine* the *Lat.* form **pia**.
3. **San-s** (saint) becomes **san** before a Proper Name.
4. Adjectives from *Lat.* words in **-sus**, do not take the *s*; plural forms in **-es** were found later, *e.g.*, **glorios** (**gloriosus**), plural, **glorios**, **copios** (**copiosus**), late plural, **copiozes**.

The *Fem.* of these Adjectives is quite regular.

5. The stem of the *Adj.* is sometimes used *Adverbially*.

II.—ADJECTIVES OF ONE TERMINATION.

These Adjectives follow the second decl., with the exception of the *Fem. Nom. Plur.* which follows the third.

Sing. Nom. **lejal-s**, Obl. **lejal** (loyal).

Plur. Nom. **lejal** (Fem. **lejal-s**), Obl. **lejal-s**.

1. Many Adjectives of this class have also a Fem. Sing. in *a*; e.g., **gran-s** (great), Fem. **gran-s** or **granda**  
**gen-s** (clever) „ **gen-s** or **genta**

There are other instances, and the tendency grew as the language degenerated.

2. The following are worthy of notice:—

**dous** (sweet), Fem. **doussa**; **nobles**, Fem. **nobla**, **tritz**,  
 Fem. **trista**.

#### COMPARISON OF ADJECTIVES.

1. Amid the general loss of Inflexions which marked the decay of Classical Latin, it became usual to denote the Comparative and Superlative by the Adverbs **magis**, **maxime**. In Provençal **plus** (later **pus**), Lat. **plus**, and **mens** (**meins** or **menhs**), Latin **minus**, were used for the most part. The Superlative was expressed by prefixing the article.

e.g., **bel-s**, **plus bel-s** (**bela**), **lo plus bel-s** (**bela**).

2. Organic Comparison. In the case of some words, the Comparative and Superlative are formed by adding **-or**, **-isme** to the stem.

<i>Positive.</i>	<i>English.</i>	<i>Comp.</i>	<i>Superl.</i>
ancian-s	old	ancian-or	—
aut-z	high	auss-or	alt-isme
(wanting)	beautiful	belaire	—
		Obl. belaz-or	
fort-z	brave	fors-or	fort-isme
gen-s	noble	gens-er	—
		Obl. gens-or	

Also the words **greus**, **leus**, **gros**, **laitz**, **larcs**, **loncs**, **sains** (Sup. **santisme**), and others.

3. Irregular Comparison—

<i>Pos.</i>	<i>Eng.</i>	<i>Comp.</i>	<i>Superl.</i>
bos, bons	good	melher	—
		Obl. melhor	
mals	bad	pejer	pesme
		Obl. pejor	
grans	great	majer, maer	—
		Obl. major, maor	

<i>Pos.</i>	<i>Eng.</i>	<i>Comp.</i>	<i>Superl.</i>
paucs	<i>few</i>	menre	—
		<i>Obl.</i> menor	

NUMERAL ADJECTIVES.

The first three cardinal numbers only are declined :—

1. us, uns. *Obl.* un. *Fem.* una.
2. dui. „ dos. „ doas.
3. trei, tres. „ tres.

The ordinals follow the declension of Adjectives.

1. premier-s, premiera (*premeira*).
2. segon-s, segunda.
3. ters, tertz, terz, tersa, terza.
4. quart-z, cart-z, quarta.

The following words are worthy of notice :—

- am-s (*both*) *Fem.* amba-s.  
 ambo *combines with dui to form ambedui.*  
*Nom.* : ambedui, amdui, abdui.  
*Obl.* : ambedos, amdos, abdos.

CHAPTER IV.

THE ARTICLE.

THE Indefinite Article is derived from the Latin **unus, una**, and is thus declined.

	<i>Masculine.</i>		<i>Fem.</i>
<i>Sing. Nom.</i> :	us, uns.	<i>Obl.</i> :	u, un. una, una.
<i>Plur. Nom.</i> :	u, un.	<i>Obl.</i> :	us, uns. unas.

The Masculine follows the second declension, the Feminine the first. The plural is used with those Substantives which are plural in form and singular in meaning.

The Definite Article is derived from the Latin **ille**. The forms are numerous, but they will, as a rule, present little difficulty. We are, however, here met by a peculiarity of the Provençal language (seen to some extent in Italian), which to beginners is apt to prove a little puzzling. The Troubadours were accustomed, wherever the exigencies of metre required, to join certain cases of the Definite Article, and of the shorter forms of the Pronouns to the preceding word, in such a way

as to form one word. Bartsch calls the Article or Pronoun thus joined *appuyé* (*J'appelle appuyé l'article qui suit certains mots tels que no, en, per, etc., de manière à faire corps avec eux.*—Bartsch, Chrest. Prov. ed. 1880, p. 428). I have ventured to use the word in the same way, for there is no precise English equivalent, and it is a mistake to use current expressions in a technical sense. The student, too, will be familiar with the word when he begins to read Bartsch's invaluable works on the subject.

In the declension I have placed, as a rule, the commoner forms first.

	<i>Masculine.</i>	<i>Feminine.</i>
<i>Sing. Nom.:</i>	lo, l', le, li <i>appuyé</i> l	la, l', lh', li <i>appuyé</i> l, lh, il, ill
<i>Gen.:</i>	del, de l', dell', deu	de la, de l', della
<i>Dat.:</i>	al, a l', a lo, au	a la, a l', al
<i>Acc.:</i>	lo, le, <i>appuyé</i> l	la, l', <i>appuyé</i> l
<i>Plur. Nom.:</i>	li, lhi, los, les <i>appuyé</i> l, lh, il, ill, ls	las
<i>Gen.:</i>	dels, des, deus, deuz	de las
<i>Dat.:</i>	als, a los, auz, aus	a las
<i>Acc.:</i>	los, les, <i>appuyé</i> ls	las, <i>appuyé</i> ls

The following should be noticed:—

el (sometimes ell, eu)	=	en lo, en la
els ( „ euz, eus)	=	en los, en las
pel	=	per lo, per la
pels (pes)	=	per los, per las
sul	=	sus lo, sus la
suls	=	sus los, sus las

Remarks on the Definite Article:—

*Nom. Sing.* The form *l'* (Masc. and Fem.) was used before a Vowel. The forms *lo, li, le*, show well the weakening of the Vowel: *lo* comes from *illo*, stem of *ille* (Acc. *illo-m*), the accent was thrown on the final syllable, and the first dropped.

*Gen. Sing.* This is a good example of the way in which both modern French and Italian sprang from the *lingua Romana*. The Troubadours for the most part use the forms *del, al, &c.* *Deu, au* and the like are found more rarely, are generally later, and are sometimes Old French words used by Provençal writers. The Nominative plural forms proper are

*li, lhi.* These were derived from Lat. *illi*, and it will be seen that the first syllable was not entirely dropped, but slurred over, the result being that a liquid intonation was given to the *l*, which is expressed in Prov. by *lh*, and which is seen in the modern Italian form *gli*. *Los, las*, are properly Accusatives, but are used as Nominatives before those Nouns which take the *s* of flexion in the Nominative plural. As this occurs in the case of all feminine words, there is naturally only one form for the fem. plural. This peculiar use of the Acc. was probably due to a false analogy, which led to an attempt to assimilate the endings at the expense of grammatical correctness. The form *les* comes directly from *los* by weakening of the Vowel.

The *appuyé* forms of the Nom. plural show that it was sometimes the second syllable of *il-li* which was slurred. The remaining cases of the plural show in an interesting manner the change to softer forms: otherwise they do not call for special remark.

The Nom. fem. sing. *li* is rare.

The following instances of the article *appuyé* should be studied:—

En aquel temps quel reis = que lo reis, “*At the time that the king,*” &c.

El sciensa = e la sciensa, “*And the knowledge.*”

Mandal filh e pregal paire = manda lo filh e prega lo paire, “*Bid the son and pray the father.*”

The cases, when the article is not used, are expressed by the following Prepositions: Gen. *di* (Lat. *de*), *of*. Dat. *a* (Lat. *ad*), *to*. *Da* sometimes takes the place of *di*, and appears with the article as *dal, dals*.

## THE PRONOUNS.

In the case of a language and of compositions which were intended to be sung rather than read, it can occasion no surprise if questions of Orthography are among the most difficult of those which occupy the attention of the student. And in the case of Provençal Orthography every man is emphatically a law to himself. What is perhaps more trying to the grammarian, for the most part a creature of classification, is the fact that these variations by no means universally admit of

lucid arrangement. Changes of spelling are peculiar to no age and no individual; in these matters the ear is the only judge. This is more especially the case in respect of the Pronouns and Verbs, and I have endeavoured to assist the student by giving only the more usual forms, leaving isolated irregularities to be dealt with as they appear in the notes on the selected songs. The *appuyé* forms should be carefully noted, as they sometimes occasion difficulty.

The ordinary arrangement has been followed in dividing the Pronouns into I. Personal. II. Possessive (Adjectives). III. Demonstrative. IV. Relative. V. Interrogative. VI. Indefinite.

#### I.—PERSONAL PRONOUNS.

Before giving the declensions of the Pronouns, the following points should be noticed:—

1. That in Provençal the Vowels *e, i, y* may almost be regarded as interchangeable, and that if a Pronoun is given under one form it may be assumed in the majority of cases that forms exist with the other Vowels.
2. That all words derived from Latin *ille* have other forms preserving the liquid sound: *e.g. il, ill, ilh.*
3. The Latin primitives are in general so very obvious that it is unnecessary to point them out.
4. That as in French the Personal Pronouns have usually distinct forms for (i) Accus. and Dative, *i.e.* Direct and Indirect Object, (ii) Absolute and Conjunctive uses.

#### SCHEME OF PERSONAL PRONOUNS.

	1st Pers.	2nd Pers.	3rd Reflex.
<i>Sing. Absolute. Nom.</i>	eu, ieu	tu	—
<i>Obl.</i>	me, mi	te, ti	se, si, sy
<i>Conjunctive. Dat. }</i>	me, m'	te, t'	se, s'
<i>Accus. }</i>	m	t	s
<i>„ appuyé</i>			
<i>Plural. Abs. Nom.</i>	nos	vos, vous	—
<i>„ Obl.</i>	nos	vos	se, si, sei
<i>Conjunctive. Dat. Accus. :</i>	nos	vos	se, si, s'
<i>appuyé</i>	ns	us	s

*Note.*—(1) **non** = **nos en**, **von** = **vos en**.

(2) The *appuyé* forms never make a syllable by themselves. Hence in the second person plural **vos** is vocalized **us**; **ius**, **sius** were written later **ieus**, **sieus**.

## THIRD PERSON.

	Masculine.	Feminine.	Neuter.
<i>Sing. Absolute. Nom. :</i>			
	el, eu ;	ela, ello, il, leis ;	el, lo
<i>Obl. :</i>			
	el, lui, lu ;	ela, lei, leis, lieis ;	el, o, vo, v'
<i>Conjunctive Dat. :</i>			
	li, l' ;	li, l' ;	—
„ <i>appuyé</i> , l, lh, il ;		l, il ;	—
<i>Accus. :</i> lo, l' ;		la, l' .	lo
„ <i>appuyé</i> , l, u,		l,	l
<i>Plural. Absolute. Nom. :</i>			
	il, els ;	elas, elhas	
<i>Obl. :</i> els, euz,			
	elos ;	elas, elhas	
	lor, lur ;	lor, lur	
<i>Conjunctive Dat. :</i>			
	lor, lur ;	lor, lur	
„ <i>appuyé</i> , ls			
„ <i>Accus. :</i> los, les ;		las	
„ <i>App. :</i> ls, lz.			

*Notes.*—(1) To the above must be added : *i, y* (= French and Old Italian *y*) Neuter Dative ; and **en, ne** (= French **en**, Italian **ne**), Neuter Genitive.

(2) **lo li, la li** = **loi, lai**.

(3) *Fem. leis* and kindred forms are derived from a combination of **ille** and **ipse**.

(4) *Neuter o* is from Lat. **hoc**.

## II.—POSSESSIVE PRONOUNS.

Of these Pronouns there are two forms, one resembling the Latin and Italian, the second modern French. The article is in general used for the Possessives.

## A.—LONG FORM.

*Note.*—Each Pronoun may be spelt with an *i* as **mieus**. The second and third persons are not derived from Latin, but by a false analogy from the first, **meus**.

*Masc. Sing. Nom. :*

meus, mieus ;        teus ;        seus

*Obl. :* meu, mieu ;        teu ;        seu

*Fem. Singular :*

mia, mieua ;        toa, tieua ; soa, sua, sieua

*Masc. Plur. Nom. :*

mei, miei ;        toi, tei ;        soi, sei

*Obl. :* meus, mieus ;        teus ;        seus

*Fem. Plural :* mias, mieuas ;        toas, tieuas ; soas, sieuas

## B.—SHORTENED FORM.

*Masculine.*

*Feminine.*

*Sing. Nom. :* mos, tos, sos        ma, m' ; ta ; sa

*Obl. :* mo, mon ; to, ton ; so, son ;        —

*Plural :*        mos, tos, sos        mas, tas, sas

## C.—POSSESSIVES OF THE PLURAL NUMBER.

Nostre, *our*, vostre, *your*, lor, lur, *their*.

*Sing. Masc. :* nostre. -s. *Obl.* nostre. *Fem.* nostra

*Plur. Masc. :* nostre. *Obl.* nostres. *Fem.* nostras

(1) **vostre** is similarly declined.

(2) **lor**, **lur** is invariable ; later it received *s* before plural Nouns ending in *s*.

## III.—DEMONSTRATIVE PRONOUNS.

I. **Est** (Lat. *iste*), **cest** (*ecce-istum*) and **aquest** (*eccu-istum*) are for the most part declined alike.

*Sing. Masc. Nom. :* est        *Obl. :* est

*Fem. Nom. :* esta        *Obl. :* esta

*Plur. Masc. Nom. :* est        *Obl. :* estz (*aguesz*, *aquestos*)

*Fem. Nom. :* estas        *Obl. :* estas



II. **Cel, aicel, aquel** are similarly declined.

*Sing. Masc. Nom.* : cel, sel, celui ; aicel, aissel ; aquel, achel.

*Obl.* : cel, sel, ceyl, celui ; aicel, aizel ; aquel, aqueu, queu.

*Fem. Nom.* : cela, sela, cil, cilh ; aicela, aissella ; aquela, achela.

*Obl.* : cela, sela, celei, celeis, cil ; aicela ; aquela.

*Plur. Masc. Nom.* : cil, celh, cels, sels ; aicil, aicels ; aquil, aquelh, aquellos.

*Obl.* : cels, sels ; aicels ; aquels, aqueuz.

*Fem.* : celas ; aicelas ; aquelas.

*Neuter Forms* (1) so, zo, ço ; aisso, aizo.

(2) quo ; aquo, aco.

*Note.*—Aicel = ecce-illum, &c.    aquel = eccu-illum, &c.  
quo = eccu-hoc.

#### IV. AND V.—RELATIVE AND INTERROGATIVE PRONOUNS.

The Relative and Interrogative Pronouns differ but slightly in form, and may conveniently be given together.

I. *Nom.* : qui, chi (*Relative also* : que)

*Obl.* : cui ; *Accus.* : que ; *Neuter* : que

II. *Sing. Nom. Masc. and Fem.* : quals, cals

*Obl.* : qual, cal

*Plur. Nom.* : quals, qual, cals, cal

*Obl.* : quals, qual

When used as a Relative the Article is prefixed.

#### VI.—INDEFINITE PRONOUNS.

The following are the commoner ones :—

1. altre (*another*, Lat. *alter*) -s, autre.    *Obl.* autre.    *Fem.* autra.

2. autrui (*another's*) later, autruis (*plural*).

3. chasques (*each*, Lat. *quisque unus*), chascun, cascun, cascus, &c.    *Fem.* cascuna, chascuna.

4. cadaus (*each to a man*, Lat. *quisque ad unum*).    *Obl.* cadaun.

5. alque, *Neut.* alques (*something*, Lat. *aliquid*).

6. qualsque, calsqe. *Obl.* qualche, calque (*some, whatsoever*, Lat. **qualis quam**).  
 7. quecs, quex. *Obl.* quec. *Fem.* quega (*each one*, Lat. **quisque**).  
 8. totz, toz, tutz (*all*, Lat. **totus**). *Obl.* tot, tut. *Fem.* tota.

*Plur. masc.* : tuit, tuich, tut, tuch, tug, tutz, tot.

*Obl.* : totz, toz, tots, tutz. *Fem.* totas.

To these may be added—

alcus (*some one*, Lat. **aliquis unus**).

usquecs (*every one*, Lat. **unus quisque**).

negus, neguns, nengus, dengus (*no one*, Lat. **nec unus**).

neisus (*none*, Lat. **ne ipse unus**).

niens, neens (*nothing*).

pauc (*few*, Lat. **paucus**).

trop (*too much*).

tant (*so much*).

tamanh (*so great*, Lat. **tam magnus**).

And some others.

## CHAPTER V.

### THE AUXILIARY VERBS.

The auxiliary verbs are **aver**, *to have* (*Ital.* **avere**, *Fr.* **avoir**), and **esser**, *to be* (*Ital.* **essere**, *Fr.* **être**).

#### I.—AVER.

<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Imperfect.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>
ai, ay <sup>1</sup>	avia <sup>4</sup>	aic, aig <sup>6</sup>
as	avias	aguist
a, ha	avia, avio	ac, ag <sup>7</sup>
avem	aviam	aguem
avetz, avez <sup>2</sup>	aviatz, az	aguetz
an, ant <sup>3</sup>	avian, ion <sup>5</sup>	agron, agro <sup>8</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *Lat.* **habeo**, &c. : *other forms*, ei, iei, e. <sup>2</sup> *aves*, avet, etz. <sup>3</sup> *han*. <sup>4</sup> *Lat.* **habebam**. <sup>5</sup> *avio*, avien. <sup>6</sup> **habui**, agui, aigui. <sup>7</sup> *hac*, at (*Old French*). <sup>8</sup> *aguen*, agon.

*Fut. Indic.*

*Conditional.*

	<i>1st Form.</i>	<i>2nd Form.</i>
aurai, ey <sup>1</sup>	agra <sup>4</sup>	auria <sup>5</sup>
auras	agras	aurias, ies
aura	agra	auria, ie
aurem	agram	auriam
auretz, ez <sup>2</sup>	agratz	auriatz
auran <sup>3</sup>	agran, en	aurian, ien

<sup>1</sup> = aver ai, **habere habeo**, cf. *Fr.*, and *Ital.* **avr-ò**. <sup>2</sup> aures, auret. <sup>3</sup> aurau, averen. <sup>4</sup> From *Lat.* *pluperfect* **habueram**.  
<sup>5</sup> **habere habebam**.

*Subjunctive.*

<i>Pres.</i> aja, aya <sup>1</sup>	<i>Impf.</i> agues <sup>4</sup>	<i>Imperat.</i> ajas
ajas	aguesses	ajatz
aja, e	agues, ages	<i>Inf.</i> aver
ajam	aguessem <sup>5</sup>	<i>Part. Pres.</i> aven, nt
ajatz, az <sup>2</sup>	aguessetz <sup>6</sup>	<i>Nom.</i> avens
ajan, on <sup>3</sup>	aguessen, on <sup>7</sup>	

*Part. Past.* agut, avut. *Nom.* utz. *Fem.* aguda, avuda.

*Compound Tenses.* ai agut, *I have had.*

avia agut, *I had had.*

auria agut, *I should have had, &c.*

<sup>1</sup> **habeam**, aga. <sup>2</sup> ajats. <sup>3</sup> ajen. <sup>4</sup> **habuisssem**, aguessa.  
<sup>5</sup> acsem. <sup>6</sup> aguesses, aguessaz. <sup>7</sup> aguessan.

2.—ESSER.

<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Imperfect.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>
sui, soi <sup>1</sup>	era <sup>4</sup>	fui <sup>7</sup>
est, iest	eras	fost, fust
es, est	era <sup>5</sup>	fo, fon <sup>8</sup>
em, esmes	eram	fom
etz, esz <sup>2</sup>	eratz	fotz, fos <sup>9</sup>
son, sun <sup>3</sup>	eran, ant <sup>6</sup>	foron, foro <sup>10</sup>

<sup>1</sup> **sum**, so. <sup>2</sup> es, est, estes. <sup>3</sup> sont, sunt, so. <sup>4</sup> **eram**. <sup>5</sup> hera.  
<sup>6</sup> eren, eron, ero. <sup>7</sup> **fui**. <sup>8</sup> fun, fom, foc, fonc, font. <sup>9</sup> fus, fustes. <sup>10</sup> foren, foront.

<i>Fut. Indic.</i>		<i>Conditional.</i>	
1. serai, ay <sup>1</sup>	1. er <sup>6</sup>	1. fora <sup>7</sup>	2. seria <sup>8</sup>
seras	ers	foras	series <sup>9</sup>
sera <sup>^</sup>	er	fora	seria
serem <sup>8</sup>		foram	seriam
seretz <sup>4</sup>		foratz	seriatz
seran <sup>5</sup>		foran	serian, on

<sup>1</sup> esser ai, ceray. <sup>2</sup> siva. <sup>3</sup> cerem. <sup>4</sup> seres, seret, serez.  
<sup>5</sup> serau, siran. <sup>6</sup> *Lat. ero.* <sup>7</sup> fueram. <sup>8</sup> esser avia.

*Subjunctive.*

<i>Pres.</i> sia <sup>1</sup>	<i>Imperf.</i> fos <sup>4</sup>	<i>Imperat.</i> sias
sias	fosses, fosas	siatz
sia, sie	fos <sup>5</sup>	<i>Infin.</i> esser <sup>7</sup>
siam	fossem	<i>Part. Past.</i> estat
siatz, siats <sup>2</sup>	fossetz, az	<i>Nom.</i> estatz
sian, sion <sup>3</sup>	fossen <sup>6</sup>	<i>Fem.</i> estada

<sup>1</sup> **sim**, seja. <sup>2</sup> sias, sejaç. <sup>3</sup> sien, siunt. <sup>4</sup> **fuisse**m. <sup>5</sup> fossa, fosa. <sup>6</sup> fosen, fosso, fossan. <sup>7</sup> estre.

Compound tenses formed with **aver**. The compound tenses of reflexive and intransitive verbs are formed with **esser**.

## CHAPTER VI.

## THE REGULAR VERBS.

THERE are three conjugations of regular weak verbs, distinguished by the vowel of the Infinitive: 1st. **amar** (Lat. **-are**). 2nd. **vendre** (Lat. **-ēre** and **-ĕre**. The Infinitive in this conjugation often ends in **-er**). 3rd. **partir** (Lat. **-ire**). This conjugation is again subdivided into two classes.

1ST CONJUGATION. **Amar**—to love.

<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Imperfect.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>
am, am-i <sup>1</sup>	ama-va <sup>4</sup>	am-ei <sup>6</sup>
am-as	ama-vas	am-est <sup>7</sup>
am-a	ama-va	am-et <sup>8</sup>

<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Imperfect.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>
am-am	ama-vam	am-em
am-atz <sup>2</sup>	ama-vatz	am-etz
am-an <sup>3</sup>	ama-van <sup>5</sup>	am-eron <sup>9</sup>
<sup>1</sup> amo, -e. <sup>2</sup> -az, -as. <sup>3</sup> -unt. <sup>4</sup> amabam. <sup>5</sup> -en. <sup>6</sup> amavi, -iei, -ie, -e, -ai. <sup>7</sup> -ist, -er. <sup>8</sup> -eit, -etz, -ec. <sup>9</sup> -ero (Lat. amaverunt).		

<i>Fut. Indic.</i>		<i>Conditional.</i>
amar-ai, ay <sup>1</sup>	1. am-era <sup>6</sup>	2. amar-ia, ie <sup>7</sup>
amar-as <sup>2</sup>	am-eras	amar-ias
amar-a	am-era	amar-ia
amar-em <sup>3</sup>	am-eram	amar-iam
amar-etz <sup>4</sup>	am-eratz	amar-iatz, ias
amar-an <sup>5</sup>	am-eran	amar-ian
<sup>1</sup> amar ai (amare habeo). <sup>2</sup> -eras. <sup>3</sup> -en. <sup>4</sup> -ez, -es, -et. <sup>5</sup> -au, -ant. <sup>6</sup> amaveram. <sup>7</sup> amare habebam.		

*Subjunctive.*

<i>Pres.</i> am-e, am <sup>1</sup>	<i>Impf.</i> am-es, essa <sup>4</sup>	<i>Imperat.</i> am-a, e
am-es	am-esses	am-atz, az <sup>7</sup>
am-e, am <sup>2</sup>	am-es, essa	<i>Infin.</i> amar
am-em, -en	am-essem, am	<i>Part. Pres.</i> aman, nt <sup>8</sup>
am-etz, -ez <sup>3</sup>	am-essetz, az <sup>5</sup>	<i>Nom.</i> amans, nz <sup>9</sup>
am-en, -o	am-essen, esso <sup>6</sup>	
<i>Past Part.</i> , amat.	<i>Nom.</i> amatz. <sup>10</sup>	<i>Fem.</i> amada. <sup>11</sup>
<sup>1</sup> amem. <sup>2</sup> -i. <sup>3</sup> -es, -et. <sup>4</sup> amavissem, amassem. <sup>5</sup> -assetz, -asetz. <sup>6</sup> -essan, -esan. <sup>7</sup> -ats, -as, -aç, -at. <sup>8</sup> used also as <i>Gerund.</i> <sup>9</sup> -antz. <sup>10</sup> -ats, -az, -aç, -as. <sup>11</sup> -ea.		

Remarks on the First Conjugation :—

1. The first person sing. pres. indic. as a rule rejects the *i* or *e*, which remains only in verb-stems ending in *l* or *r*—e.g., *parli* (or *parle*), *restauri* (or *restaure*). The *e* (or *i*) also remains when the verb-stem contains another *i*—e.g., *remire*.
2. The soft mutes *d*, *g*, *b*, change to the corresponding hard letters *t*, *c*, *p*, when they are found at the end of a word—e.g., *trop* from *trobar*, *prec* from *pregar*, *cuit* (*cui*, *cug*, *cut*) from *cuidar* (*cujar*).

3. The letter *v* becomes *f*, or is vocalized to *u*.  
**Salf** from **salvar**, **leu** from **levar**.
4. The final consonant of the stem (especially *n*) is sometimes lost altogether.  
**lau** from **lauzar**, **do** from **donar**, **chan** from **chantar**.
5. In the present Subjunctive the *e* of flexion is lost in the singular, except in stems ending in *e* or *l* preceded by a consonant or diphthong (*e.g.*, **parle**, **restaure**), or, in the second person, by a sibilant (*e.g.*, **passes**). The final consonant of the stem is modified or disappears in the same way as in the Indicative.
6. The Vowel of the stem sometimes becomes a diphthong, when the accent is on the stem: *i.e.*, in the Sing. of the Pres. Indic., in the Present Subj. and the Imperative.  
*e.g.*, **priece** from **pregar**, **truep** from **trobar**, and **prueva** from **provar**.

Irregular verbs of first Conjugation :—**anar**, **dar**, **estar**.

These, and all other Verbs exhibiting peculiarities of conjugation, have been placed for convenience of reference in the Alphabetical List of Irregular Verbs.

## SECOND CONJUGATION. **Vendre**, to sell.

<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Imperfect.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>
vend, vend-i <sup>1</sup>	vend-ia <sup>4</sup>	vend-ei, i <sup>6</sup>
vend-es, vens	vend-ias	vend-est
vend	vend-ia	vend-et <sup>7</sup>
vend-em, en	vend-iam	vend-em
vend-etz, ets <sup>2</sup>	vend-iatz	vend-etz, es
vend-on, o <sup>3</sup>	vend-ian, ion <sup>5</sup>	vend-cron, ero <sup>8</sup>

<sup>1</sup> **vendo**, -e. <sup>2</sup> -es, -et. <sup>3</sup> -en, -un, -ont, -unt. <sup>4</sup> **vendebam**.  
<sup>5</sup> -io, -ien, -ient. <sup>6</sup> **vendidi**, -iey. <sup>7</sup> -ec. <sup>8</sup> -eren.

<i>Fut. Indic.</i>	<i>Conditional.</i>	
vendr-ai <sup>1</sup>	1. vend-era <sup>2</sup>	2. vendr-ia <sup>3</sup>
vendr-as	vend-eras	vendr-ias
vendr-a	vend-era	vendr-ia
vendr-em	vend-cram	vendr-iam
vendr-etz	vend-cratz	vendr-iatz
vendr-an	vend-cran	vendr-ian

<sup>1</sup> **vendre ai**, -re. <sup>2</sup> **vendideram**. <sup>3</sup> **vendre avia**.

*Subjunctive.*

<i>Pres.:</i> vend-a <sup>1</sup>	<i>Imperf.:</i> vend-es <sup>4</sup>	<i>Imperat.:</i> vend
vend-as	vend-esses	vend-etz
vend-a	vend-es, is <sup>5</sup>	<i>Infin.:</i> vendre
vend-am, an	vend-essem	<i>Part. Pres.:</i> venden, t
vend-atz, ats <sup>2</sup>	vend-essetz	<i>Nom.:</i> vendens
vend-an, on <sup>3</sup>	vend-essen <sup>6</sup>	
<i>Part. past.</i> vendut.	<i>Nom.</i> vendutz. <sup>7</sup>	<i>Fem.</i> venduda.

<sup>1</sup> vendam. <sup>2</sup> -as, -at. <sup>3</sup> -o, -en, -ont, -unt. <sup>4</sup> vendid-  
issem. <sup>5</sup> -essa. <sup>6</sup> -esson, -essan. <sup>7</sup> -uz, -us.

Remarks on the second Conjugation:—

1. It will be noticed that the formative suffix of the Latin perfect is lost.
2. Some Verbs have two forms in the Infinitive, in *-re* and *-er*—e.g., *tazer, taire*; *crezer, creire*.

Some only in *-er*—e.g., *temer, soler*. Others of the Lat. third Conjugation in *-er* unaccented, *cozer, parcer*, &c.

3. The following have the Inf. in *-re* (*-er*) and *-ir*: *cozer, cozir*; *segre, seguir*; *devire, devezir*.
4. The stem vowel becomes a diphthong in the following: *segre*, Pres. Indic. *sec* or *siec*; *voler, vol* or *vuelh*; *tolre, tol* or *tuelh*; *proferre*, Pres. Subj. *profiera*.
5. Some Verbs have both a strong and weak Past Participle—e.g., *rescondre, rescondut* and *rescos*; *defendre, defendut* and *defes*; *proferre, profert*; *rompre, romputz* and *rotz*, &c.

Irregular Verbs (*see* List), *creire, rendre, respondre, rezemer, soler, taire, teisser, vencer*.

THIRD CONJUGATION.

Note.—Many Verbs of this Conjugation have a mixed form in the Present tenses of the Indicative, Subjunctive, and Participle. Examples given below:—

A. PURE FORM. *Partir, to separate.*

<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Imperfect.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>
part, part-i	part-ia	part-i <sup>3</sup>
part-es, -z	part-ias	part-ist

*Pres. Indic.*

part  
part-em  
part-etz, ez  
part-on, o<sup>1</sup>

*Imperfect.*

part-ia  
part-iam  
part-iatz  
part-ian<sup>2</sup>

*Perfect.*

part-i, -it<sup>4</sup>  
part-im  
part-itiz, isz  
part-iron, iro<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> -en, -unt. <sup>2</sup> -ion, -io, -ien. <sup>3</sup> -ii, -ic. <sup>4</sup> -ic, -ith, -is  
<sup>5</sup> -iren, -eron, -igron.

*Fut. Indic.*

partir-ai  
partir-as  
partir-a  
partir-em  
partir-etz  
partir-an<sup>1</sup>

*Conditional.*

1. partir-a	2. partir-ia
partir-as	partir-ias
partir-a	partir-ia
partir-am	partir-iam
partir-atz, az	partir-iatz
partir-an	partir-ian <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> -irau. <sup>2</sup> -ion, -io, -ien.

*Subjunctive.*

*Pres.:* part-a  
part-as  
part-a  
part-am  
part-atz, ats  
part-an

*Imperf.:* part-is  
part-isses  
part-is  
part-issem  
part-issetz<sup>1</sup>  
part-issen

*Imperat.:* part

part-etz

*Infin.:* partir

*Part. Pres.:* parten, t

*Nom.:* partens,  
-entz

*Part. past* partit.<sup>2</sup> *Nom.* partitz.<sup>3</sup> *Fem.* partida, -ia.  
<sup>1</sup> -issatz. <sup>2</sup> -ih. <sup>3</sup> -iz.

B. MIXED FORM. *Florir, to flower.**Pres. Indic.*

flor-isc, is  
flor-isses  
flor-is, ish, ih  
flor-em  
flor-etz, izetz  
flor-iscon, isco<sup>1</sup>

*Pres. Subj.*

flor-isca, isqua  
flor-iscas  
flor-isca  
flor-iscam  
flor-iscatz  
flor-iscan

*Pres. Part.*

flor-en

<sup>1</sup> *Other forms:* -isson, -issen, -isscho, -iysson, -iyson.

The other tenses follow *partir*.

Remarks on the third Conjugation:—

1. Hesitation between the mixed and pure forms is common.



2. The stem-vowel *e* varies between *e* and *i*, especially in the Pres. Part.—*e.g.*, *servir*, *sirven* ; *legen*, *ligen* ; &c.
  3. The 3rd Person Pres. Indic. is in *e* or *i*, in *cobrir* and *servir*.
  4. Infinitive in *-er* or *-re* ; *sofrir*, *soferre* ; *querir*, *querre*.
  5. The Perfect is strong in *sofrir*, 3 pers. *soferc*.
  6. Past Part. is in *-ut* in *eissir*, *eissitz*, and *eissutz* ; *ferir*, *feritz*, and *ferutz*.
  7. Past Part. in *-ert* in *ofrir*, *sofrir*, *obrir*, *cobrir*, *ofert*, *sofert*, *obert*, *cobert*.
  8. The stem-vowel often becomes a diphthong :—
    - (a) *e* becomes *ie* ; *ferir*, *fier* ; *merir*, *mier* ; *querir*, *quier* ; *servir*, *sierve* ; *vestir*, *viest*.
    - (b) *e* becomes *ei*, *iei*, *ie*, in Pres. Subj. : *ferir*, *feira*, *fleira*, *fiera* ; *querir*, *queira*, *quieira*, *quiera*.
    - (c) *o* becomes *ue* ; *cobrir*, *cuebri*, *colhir*, *cuelh*.
    - (d) *o* becomes *oi* ; *morir*, Subj. *moira*.
- Irregular Verbs (*see* List). *Auzir*, *colhir*, *eissir*, *fugir*, *morir*, *salhir*.

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## CHAPTER VII.

### STRONG AND IRREGULAR VERBS.

THE three conjugations already given comprise the weak verbs. There are a few verbs in each conjugation which depart in a greater or less degree from the regular forms, and these will be given in the Alphabetical List. In addition to the weak verbs, the Provençal language contains strong and irregular verbs. The latter will be noticed only when they occur in the List. But the strong verbs, being more or less capable of arrangement, will be considered more fully.

Those verbs are called *strong* which throw the accent in the 1st and 3rd sing. of the perf. indic. on the stem and not on the ending. This conjugation (if we may so term it) comprises verbs from the 2nd and 3rd Latin conjugations and also from the fourth. The endings of the infinitive are in *er* (Lat. *ēre*), in *re* (Lat. *ēre*), and a few in *ir*.

From the form of the Perfect the strong verbs may be divided into three classes.

Class I.—The simple *i* of the Latin perfect is retained in the case of two Provençal verbs only; **faire** (**facere**), and **vezer** (**videre**); perfects respectively, **fi** and **vi**.

Class II.—Those verbs in which the Latin termination *si* becomes *s* in Provençal (*e.g.*, **claus** from **clausi**).

Class III.—Latin verbs with perfects in *-ui* giving the termination *c* in Provençal. In other cases the *u* is attracted back to the stem: *e.g.*, **saber**, perf. **saup** from Lat. **sapui**; **receup** (**recipui**), &c. The change to *c* is much commoner—*e.g.*, Lat. **dolui** becomes first **dolgui** and then **dolc**; **calc** from **calui**; **volc** (**volui**); **conoc** (**cognovi**); **creec** (**crevi**); &c.

In the following paradigms the perfect Ind. and the imperf. Subj. of the three classes are given.

*Paradigm of Strong Perfects.*

1. vi	2. pres	3a. dec	3b. saup
vist	presist	deguist	saubist
vi	pres	dec	saup
vim	presem	deguem	saubem
vitz	presetz	deguetz	saubetz
viron	preiron	degron	saupron.

*Imperfect Subjective.*

1. vezes	2. preses	3a. degues	3b. saubes
vezesses	presesses	deguesses	saubesses
vezes	preses	degues	saubes
vezessem	presessem	deguessem	saubessem
vezessetz	presessetz	deguessetz	saubessetz
vezessen	presessen	deguessen	saubessen

Remarks:—1. Many perfects have besides a weak form for the 1st sing. and 3rd plural: **fezi**, **dissi**, **vengui**; **disseron**, **aucizeron**.

2. The 2nd person sing. often rejects final *t*, and the 3rd plur. final *r* (especially in 2nd and 3rd classes).

3. The simple vowel often becomes a diphthong.

4. There are three forms of the past participle:—

(a) **-s** from Lat. **-sus**: **aucis**, **claus**, **vis**.

- (b) **-t** from Lat. **-ctus**, **-ptus**, **-rtus** : **dit** (**dictus**), **fait** (**factus**), **rot** (**ruptus**).
- (c) **-ut** from Lat. **-itus**, by addition to perfects in *p* or *c*, **receput** from **receup**; **sauput** from **saup**, **tengut** from **tenc**. Mark the usual modification of the final consonant.

## ALPHABETICAL LIST OF STRONG AND IRREGULAR VERBS.

The following list contains (i) Verbs departing in some forms from one of the three weak conjugations, (ii) strong Verbs, (iii) Irregular Verbs. The list makes no pretence to completeness, but as a rule the 1st person sing. of peculiar tenses has been given, as well as all the forms, worthy of remark, which actually occur in the selection of Poems given in this book.

*Note (wk. 1)* denotes a weak Verb of the 1st conjugation.

(1), (2), &c., denote a strong Verb of 1st, 2nd, &c., conjugation.

(irreg) = Irregular Verb.

The numbers 1, 2, 3 denote the persons; a, b, the two forms of the conditional, &c.

<i>Pres. Inf.</i> anar (wk. 1)	<i>English.</i> go	<i>Pres. Indic.</i> 1 vau, anam 2 vas, anatz 3 vai, van	<i>Perfect.</i> irai	<i>Future.</i> irai	<i>Subjunctive.</i> <i>Past Participle.</i> Pres. ane
aver (3)	have				ars
ardre (2)	burn				assis, assiza
assire (2)	place	3 art			aucis
aucire (aus-) (2)	kill	1 auci	3 aucis	Pres. aucia	
auzir (wk. 3)	hear	1 aug, aus	Imperat. sing. au	Pres. auja	
aus-, v, r		2 aus	plur. aujatz		
		3 au			
beure (3)	drink	3 beu	3 beg	Pr. beva	begut
caber (3)	abide	3 cab		Imp. begues	
(compounds)		3 recep	3 receup	Pr. receba	percebut

<i>Pres. Infin.</i>	<i>English.</i>	<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>	<i>Future.</i>	<i>Subjunctive.</i>	<i>Past Participle.</i>
caler (3) ch-, qu- cazer (3) ch-, cad- cenher (2) s- claire (2) shut colhir (wk. 3) pluck coill-, culh-	must fall embrace shut pluck	decep 2 pl. recenbes 3 cal 3 cai 1 cenh 1, 3 clau 1 colh 2 coills, culhs 3 colh, cuelh	3 calc 3 caret, -c 3 ceis 3 claus	3 calra cairai	Pr. calha Pr. caja Pr. cenha colha Imperf. colhis	receput, uda cazut ceins, sencha claus, clauza
com- des-, re- co- noiser (3) (conoicher)	ponre (2) know	3 despon 1 conosc 3 conois	1 conoc conoguui 3 conoc	conoiserai conoicherai	Pr. rebona conosca Imp. conogues conogut	fem. composta
correr (3) corre cozer (3) creire (wk. 2) crezer, cred-	run cook believe	1, 3 cor 3 p. corro 3 cueis 1 crei, cre 2 cres 3 crei, cre 3 creis 3 da	3 correc cors 3 crezet	cozerai creirai	corregut coit, cueich creza Imperf. crezes	corregut coit, cueich crezut
creisser (3) dar (wk. 1) derger (2)	increase give rear	1 cric 3 ders	1 cric 3 ders	cresca Imperf. 2 dessetz	cregut, uda Imperat. day ders	

<i>Pres. Infin.</i>	<i>English.</i>	<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>	<i>Future.</i>	<i>Subjunctive.</i>	<i>Past Participle.</i>
destrenher (2)	<i>force</i>	3 destreing	3 destreis		destrenha	destreit
destruire (2)	<i>destroy</i>	3 destrui			destrua	destruit, destrug -uida, -ucha
dever (3)	<i>owe</i>	1 dei, deg 2 deus, deves	3 dec	deurai	deja	degut
dire (2)	<i>say</i>	1 dic, dig, dich 2 dizes, ditz 3 ditz, di 1 dizem	1 dis, dissi 2 dis, dish	dirai	<i>Impf.</i> degues diga, dia	dit, dig, dich
doler (3)	<i>harm</i>	1 dolh duelh 3 dol 3 dutz 3 eis, ieis			dolha	dolgut
duire (2)	<i>instruct</i>		3 duysero	duirai		dueich, ducha
eissir (wk. 3)	<i>depart</i>				yesca	eissitz, issutz
elegir ( <i>irreg.</i> )	<i>choose</i>		1 elesquei 2 p. elesquesz 1 enpeis			
empenher (2)	<i>push</i>					ereubut
e-rebre (3)	<i>save</i>		1 escrys 3 escris		escriva	escrit, -pt, g escruiata, -icha
escriure (2)	<i>write</i>					espars <i>Pres.</i> estan
esparcer (2)	<i>spread</i>					
estar, star	<i>l-e</i>	1 estau, -c 2 estas			1 estia estēja	
(wk. 1)						

<i>Pres. Infin.</i>	<i>English.</i>	<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>	<i>Future.</i>	<i>Subjunctive.</i>	<i>Past Participle.</i>
estar, star (wk. 1)	<i>be</i>	3 estai, -ta 3 p. estant			estec	
estenhher (2)	<i>put out</i>		3 esteis			
faire (1)	<i>do</i>	1 fatz, fach fauc, fau	1 fis, fich fezi	farai ferai	fassa -ça, -za faisa, facha <i>Impft.</i> fezes	fait, fat, fag fach, faich <i>fem.</i> feita facta, faicha
far		2 fas	2 fist, fezist			
fer		3 fai, fa 1 fam	3 fetz, fet fe, fei			
		2 faitz, fatz	1 fezem			
		3 fan	2 fetz, fezetz			
			3 feiron, feron			
fenher (2)	<i>feign</i>	3 fenh	1 feichi	fenha		
			3 feis	fenga		
franher (2)	<i>break</i>	3 franh	3 frais	franha fraigna		frait, frah
fugir (wk. 3)	<i>fly</i>	3 fug, fui				
jazer (3)	<i>lie</i>	3 jatz, jai	3 jac	jairai		jagut joint, juns
jonher (2) -dre join		1, 3 jonh				
maner (2)	<i>remain</i>	1 remaing	2 remazist	permanrai	remanha	remas remanzut
<i>and comp.</i>		remanc	3 remas			
		3 ma	2 remazetz			
			3 remairo			
		1 met, -i	1 mis			
			2 mesist			
metre (2)	<i>put</i>				meta	mes, mis (remetutz)

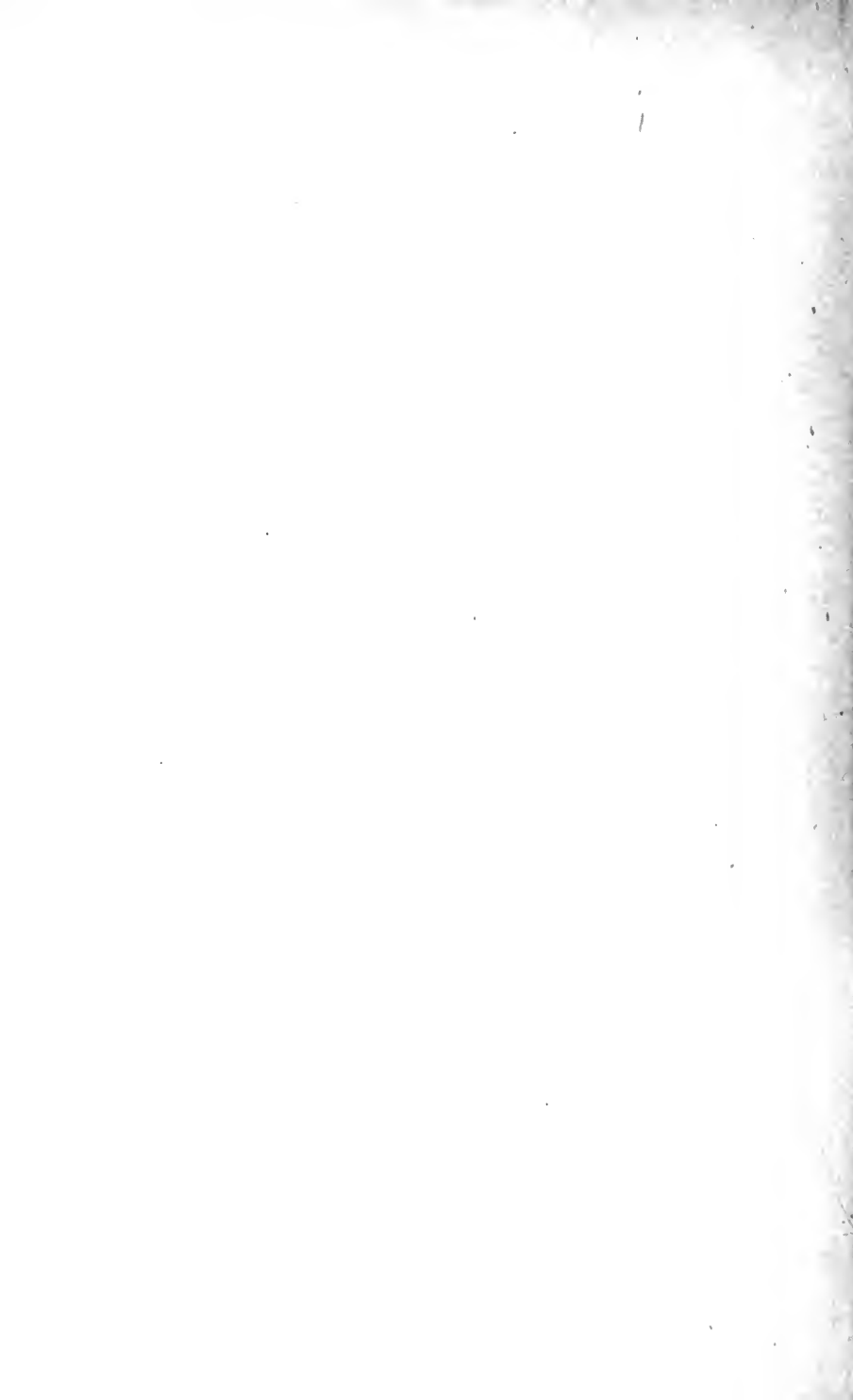
<i>Pres. Infin.</i>	<i>English.</i>	<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>	<i>Future.</i>	<i>Subjunctive.</i>	<i>Past Participle.</i>
metre (2)	<i>put</i>					meza, -cha
morir (wk. 3)	<i>die</i>	1, 3, mor 2 mors	3 mes	morrai	mora	mortz, morta
mover (3)	<i>move</i>	3 mou	1, 3, moc	mourai	mova	mogut
moure		3 pl. movon	3 pl. mogro			
naisser (irreg.)	<i>be born</i>	3 nais	1 nasquei		<i>Impf.</i> nasques	nascut
nozer (3)	<i>injure</i>	3 naicho	3 nasquet		<i>Impf.</i> nogues	natz, nada
paissier (3)	<i>nourish</i>	3 notz, nos	3 noc		pasca	pascut
pareissier (3)	<i>appear</i>	3 pais, paih	( <i>condit.</i> pagra)		paresca	pent
penher (2)	<i>paint</i>	3 pareis	3 parec			
pegner		3 pinh				
planher (2)	<i>complain</i>	1 planh, -c	3 plais		planha	
plaigner		3 planh, plain			plaigna	
plazer (3)	<i>please</i>	3 platz, plas	3 plac	plairai	plassa	<i>Condit.</i> 1 plagra 2 plairia
					plaja	
					<i>Impf.</i> plagues	
					plova	
ploure (3)	<i>rain</i>	3 plou			posca	<i>Condit.</i> 1 pogra 2 poiria
poder (3)	<i>be able</i>	1 posc, puesc	1 puoc	poirai	puesca	
		3 podi	3 poc	podrai	pussa	
		2 potz, pods	2 poguetz	puirai	<i>Impf.</i> pogues	
		3 pot, pod	3 pogron	porrai		
		1 podem				
ponher (2)	<i>prick</i>	1 ponh, ponc			ponja	point



<i>Pres. Infm.</i>	<i>English.</i>	<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>	<i>Future.</i>	<i>Subjunctive.</i>	<i>Past Participle.</i>
prendre (2) penre	take	1 prenc 2 prendes 3 pren	1 pris 3 pres, pris 3 preron	prendrai penrai	prenda prenna <i>Impf.</i> prezes	pres pris preis
querre (2) querer	seek	1 quer, quier 2 quers 3 quer, quier	1 quis 2 ques 3 ques, quis	querrai	queira <i>Impf.</i> quezes	ques quist quesut
raire (2) rendre (wk. 2) respondre (wk. 2) rezemer (wk. 2)	demolish give answer repair	1, 3 ren, ret	3 repos 3 rezemet redems		renda, redda	ras rendut redems
rire (2) saber (3)	laugh know	3 ri 1 sai, sei se, sabe 2 sabs, saps 3 sab, sap <i>condit.</i> salhdria 3 pl. seon	3 ris 1 saubi 3 saup, saub 2 saubez, saupes 3 saupron, saubon	sabrai	sapcha sabja sapia <i>Impf.</i> saubes <i>Imperat.</i> sezets	sauput, uda
salhir (wk. 3) sezer (3)	leap sit	1 solh 2 sols 3 sol 1 solvi 3 sol	3 sec, sis (O. Fr.)	seirai		
soler (wk. 2)	be wont					
solvre (2)	loosen			solverai	<i>Impf.</i> solses	soutz

<i>Pres. Infin.</i>	<i>English.</i>	<i>Pres. Indic.</i>	<i>Perfect.</i>	<i>Future.</i>	<i>Subjunctive. Past Participle.</i>
somondre (2)	<i>invite</i>	3 <i>somo</i>		somonrai	somons
sorger (2)	<i>go out</i>	3 <i>sortz</i>	3 <i>sors</i>		sors
taire (wk. 2)	<i>be silent</i>	3 <i>tai</i>			
tazer					
tanher (wk. 2)	<i>be necessary</i>	3 <i>tanh, taing</i>			
taigner		<i>tang, tain</i>			
teisser (wk. 2)	<i>weave</i>		1 <i>teis</i>		tanha <i>Impf. taisses</i>
tener (3)	<i>hold</i>	1 <i>tenh, tenc</i> 3 <i>te, tenh</i>	1 <i>tinc</i> 3 <i>tenc, tec</i>	tenrai	tescut tes, tesa tengut
tenher (2)	<i>tinge</i>	1 <i>tenh</i>			teigna <i>Impf. tengues</i> tenhs
tolre (3)	<i>take away</i>	3 <i>tein</i> 1 <i>tolh, tuelh</i> 3 <i>tol</i>	3 <i>tolc</i>	tolrai	tolha, tuelha <i>Impf. tolgues</i> tolgut tolt, tout
torser (2)	<i>twist</i>	3 <i>estortz</i>	3 <i>estors</i>		estorsa estort
traire (2)	<i>draw</i>	1 <i>trai, trac</i> 2 <i>tras</i> 3 <i>trai, tra</i> 1 <i>valh</i> 2 <i>vales</i> 3 <i>val</i> 3 <i>vens</i>	1 <i>trais</i> 2 <i>trayssist</i> 3 <i>trais</i> 3 <i>valc</i>	traja tragua valha <i>Impf. valgues</i>	trait trag trach valgut
valer (3)	<i>be worth</i>			valrai	
vencer (wk. 2)	<i>conquer</i>		1 <i>venquei</i> 3 <i>venquet</i>	vensa	vencut

<i>Pres. Infm.</i> venir (3)	<i>English.</i> come	<i>Pres. Indic.</i> 1 venh, veng venho 2 vens, ves 3 ve, ven 1 vei, vec 2 ves 3 ve 1 vezem, etc.	<i>Perfect.</i> 1 vinc, veng vengui 2 venguist 3 vengc, veng 1 vi 2 vist 3 vi, vic, vit 1 vim 2 vitz 3 viron 1 visquiei 3 visquet 1 vuele volgui 2 volguist 3 volc, volg 3 p. volgron	<i>Future.</i> venrai vendrai  veirai verai	<i>Subjunctive. Past Participle.</i> venha vegna venga <i>Impf.</i> vengues veja <i>Impf.</i> vezes, vis vist vegut
vezer (1) veire	see				vis, viza
viure (irreg.)	live	3 viu, vieu			<i>Impf.</i> visques vescut
voler (3)	wish	1 volh, voilh voll, vuell vulh, ulh 2 vols 3 vol 1 volem, etc. 1 volv 3 volf	1 vuell volgui 2 volguist 3 volc, volg 3 p. volgron	volrai	volha vuelha velha ulha <i>Impf.</i> volgues  vout
volvere (2)	turn				<i>Condit.</i> 1 volgra 2 volria



BOOK III.



SELECTIONS: PROSE AND POETRY.



## THIRD BOOK.

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#### I.—EXTRACT FROM THE LIVES OF THE TROUBADOURS.

(*Bartsch, Chrest. Prov.*, p. 237 seqq.; and cf. *Mahn, Biographien der Troubadours*, p. 3 seqq.)

THE extract tells of the unfortunate love of Guillem de Cabestaing for his master's wife, of his cruel death, and the insult offered to his wife by Raimon, and how the latter met with fitting punishment at the hands of his feudal lord.

I have prefaced my selections of poetry with this prose extract, not because it is valuable in itself, but solely because its simplicity makes it a fitting vehicle for elementary grammatical notes. The translation is mainly designed to avoid unprofitable recourse to the vocabulary.

GUILLEMS DE CABESTAING si fo us cavaliers de l'encontrada  
 de Rossillon que confinava ab Cataloigna et ab Narbones.  
 Mout fo avinens hom de la persona et prezatx d'armas e de  
 cortesia e de servir. Et en la soa encontrada avia una dompna  
 que avia nom ma dompna Soremonda, moiller d'en Raimon <sup>5</sup>  
 de Castel-Rossillon, que era mout gentils e mals e braus e  
 fers e rics et orgoillos. E'n Guillems de Cabestaing si  
 amava la dompna per amor, e chantava de lieis e'n fazia sas  
 chanssons, e la dompna q'era joves e gaja e gentils e bella sill  
 volia ben major que a ren del mon, e fon dich a'n Raimon <sup>10</sup>  
 de Castel-Rossillon. Et el cum hom iratz e jelos enqueric lo  
 faich e saup que vers era, e fetz gardar la moiller. E qand  
 venc un dia, Raimons de Castel-Rossillon trobet passan  
 Guillem de Cabestaing ses gran compaignia, et aucis lo, e fez  
 li traire lo cor del cors e fez li taillar la testa, e la testa el cor <sup>15</sup>  
 fez portar a son alberc. Lo cor fez raustir e far a pebrada e fez  
 lo dar a manjar a la moiller. E qand la dompna l'ac manjat,

<sup>1</sup> *si*: here, as commonly, merely denoting a transition = 'now,' or may be omitted entirely in translation.

<sup>1</sup> *fo* = perf. *esser*.

<sup>2</sup> *fo*. The elaborate system of verb-endings which the language possesses makes the insertion of a pronoun as subject unnecessary.

<sup>3</sup> *de la persona*, genitive of respect.

<sup>4</sup> *prezatx*, nom. past part. of *prezar*.

<sup>5</sup> *servir*, Infin. used as a substantive.

<sup>6</sup> *la*, cf. the Ital. use of the article before the possessive.

<sup>7</sup> *avia*, fr. *aver. ma*. The possessive is commonly used before *dompna*; cf. Fr. *ma dame*, *dompna* = *domina*, with intrusion of *p* for euphonic reasons.

<sup>8</sup> *en*, written 'n after a vowel, is the final syllable of *dom-en* (Lat. *dominus*), 'Lord' or 'Sir.'

<sup>9</sup> *era* fr. *esser*.

<sup>10</sup> *gentils*. Bartsch suggests a lacuna here. Otherwise the incongruity of the adjectives is peculiar.

<sup>11</sup> *braus*. Mark the vocalisation of the *v*, *brav-s*.

<sup>12</sup> *per*, used to denote manner or means.

<sup>13</sup> *lieis*, fem. obj. 'her' (*ille—ipse*).

<sup>14</sup> 'n = Fr. *en*, lit. 'made his songs of her.'



## TRANSLATION.

WILLIAM OF CABESTAING was a cavalier of the country of Rossillon, which borders on Catalonia and Narbonne. He was a man very prepossessing in person, valued in arms, in chivalry, and worth. And in his own country there was a lady who was named my lady Soremonda, wife of Lord Raimon of Castel-Rossillon, who was very high-born and wicked, cruel, harsh, powerful, and proud. And Lord William of Cabestaing loved the lady, and sang of her, and made her the subject of his songs. And the lady, who was joyous and gay, noble and beautiful, desired virtue for herself rather than anything in the world, and had it told to Lord Raimon of Castel-Rossillon. And he, like an irascible and jealous husband, examined into the matter, and learnt that it was true, and had his wife guarded. And when he came one day, Raimon of Castel-Rossillon found William of Cabestaing passing without a large escort, and seized him, and had his heart torn from his body, and had his head cut off, and had the head and the heart carried to his house. The heart he had roasted and peppered, and had it given to his wife to eat.

<sup>8</sup> *fazia, faire (far)*, imperf. indic.

<sup>9</sup> *q'era* = *que era*.

<sup>9</sup> *sill* = *si lo*, 'desired it for herself.'

<sup>10</sup> *fon dich* = 'it was told,' *dich*, past part. *dire*.

<sup>11</sup> *enqueric*, fr. *enquerir*; perf. indic., 3 s. as the following verbs.

<sup>12</sup> *saup*, fr. *saber*. *Fetz, faire*. *Venc, venir*. *Trobet, trobar*.

<sup>13</sup> *passan*, pres. part. from *passar*.

<sup>14</sup> *aucis, aucire*, perf. indic.

<sup>14</sup> *fez* = *fetz (faire)*.

<sup>15</sup> *li*, i.e. Guillems: dative of the 3rd person. pronoun, cf. Fr. *lui*.

<sup>15</sup> *lo cor del cors*, 'the heart from the body.' *Cors* (Lat. *corpus*) is indecl.

<sup>15</sup> *el cor* = *e lo cor*.

<sup>16</sup> *far a pebrada*, 'peppered,' *far* = *aire*.

<sup>17</sup> *l'ac* = *lo ac*, v. *aver*.

<sup>17</sup> *manjat, manjar*, past part.

Raimons de Castel-Rossillon li dis, "Sabez vos que vos avetz manjat?" Et ella li dis, "No, si non que mout es estada bona vianda e saborida." Et el li dis q'el era estat<sup>20</sup> certanamen lo cors d'en Guillem de Cabestaing so que ella avia manjat; e a so q'ellal crezes ben, si fetz aportar la testa denan lieis. E qand la dompna vic so et auzic, ella perdet lo vezer et l'auzir tan tost; e qand revenc, et ella dis, "Seigner, ben m'avetz dat si bon manjar que ja mais<sup>25</sup> non manjarai d'autre." E qand el auzi so, el correc sobre lieis ab l'espaza e volc li dar sus en la testa, et ella correc ad un balcon e laisset se cazer jos, et enaissi moric. La novella cors per Rossillon e per tota Cataloigna q'en Guillems de Cabestaing e la dompna eran enaissi malamen<sup>30</sup> mort, e q'en Raimons de Castel-Rossillon avia dat lo cor d'en Guillem a manjar a la dompna. Mout en fo grans dols e grans tristessa per totas las encontradas, el reclama venc davan lo rei d'Aragon, que era seigner d'en Raimon de Castel-Rossillon e d'en Guillem de Cabestaing; e venc s'en<sup>35</sup> a Perpignan en Rossillon, e fetz venir Raimon de Castel-Rossillon denan si. E qan fo vengutz, sil prendre fetz e tolç li totz los chastels els fetz desfar, e tolç li tot qant el avia, e lui

<sup>18</sup> *li*, dative, *dis*, *dire*, perf.

<sup>19</sup> *si non que*, 'except that.'

<sup>20</sup> *es estada*, as in Italian, *esser* is its own auxiliary. Cf. *era estat* in the same line.

<sup>22</sup> *a so que*, 'in order that.' *Ellal* = *ella lo*.

<sup>23</sup> *crezes*, from *crezer*, imperf. subj.

<sup>23</sup> *si*, dat. reflexive.

<sup>23</sup> *vic*, *vezer*, *auzic*, *auzir*, perfs.

<sup>25</sup> *dat*, *dar*, past part.

<sup>26</sup> *so*, 3rd person, neuter obj.

<sup>26</sup> *correc*, *correr*, perf. indic., 'to run,' *correr sobre*, 'attack.'

<sup>27</sup> *volc*, *voler*, perf.

<sup>27</sup> *li dar*, &c., 'to strike her on the head,' *li*, dat. of the person interested or concerned.

And when the lady had eaten it, Raimon of Castel-Rossillon said to her, "Do you know what you have eaten?" And she said to him, "No, except that it has been very good and savoury meat." And he told her that it had been in very truth the heart of Lord William of Cabestaing which she had eaten; and in order that she might believe it true, he had the head brought before her. And when the lady saw and heard it, she all at once lost sight and hearing; and when she recovered, she said, "Sir, you have given me indeed such good meat, that henceforth I will not eat any other." And when he heard it, he rushed on her with a sword, and wished to strike her on the head, and she ran to a balcony, and let herself fall down, and so died. The news ran through Rossillon and through all Catalonia, that Lord William of Cabestaing and the lady had so miserably died, and that Lord Raimon of Castel-Rossillon had given the heart of Lord William to his wife to eat. There was over it exceedingly great grief and great sadness, and the report came before the King of Arragon, who was Lord of Raimon of Castel-Rossillon, and of William of Cabestaing; and he went off to Perpignan in Rossillon, and made Raimon of Castel-Rossillon come before him. And when he was come, he had him brought to him, and took from him all his castles and had them destroyed, and took from him all that he had, and put him on account of it in

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<sup>29</sup> *cors*, *correr*, perf. strong form.

<sup>31</sup> *mort*, *morir*, past part. pl.

<sup>32</sup> *en* = 'over it.'

<sup>33</sup> *el* = *e lo reclama*.

<sup>34</sup> *venc s'en*, cf. Fr. *s'en aller*.

<sup>36</sup> *fo vengutz*, the compound tenses of intransitive verbs are formed with *esser* (fr. *venir*.)

<sup>37</sup> *sil* = *si* (dat.) *lo* (acc.) *tolc*, *tolre*.

<sup>38</sup> *els* = *e los*.

en menet en preison. Guillem de Cabestaing e la dompna  
 fetz penre e fetz los portar a Perpignan e metre en un monu- 40  
 men denan l'uis de la gleisa, e fetz desseignar desobrel  
 monumen cum ill erant estat mort; et ordenet per tot lo  
 comtat de Rossillon que tuich li cavalier e las dompnas lor  
 venguesson far anoal chascun an; e'n Raimons de Castel-  
 Rossillon moric dolorosamen en la preison del rei d'Aragon. 45

<sup>39</sup> *en* = 'on that account'

<sup>41</sup> *desobrel* = *desobre lo monumen*.

<sup>43</sup> *tuich*, pl. *totz*, q. v. under Indef. Pronouns.

<sup>43</sup> *lor*, 'to them.'

<sup>44</sup> *venguesson*, *venir*, impf. subj.

<sup>44</sup> *far anoal*, 'to keep an anniversary.'

prison. William of Cabestaing and the lady he had brought, and had them carried to Perpignan, and put in a memorial-tomb before the door of the church, and had engraved over them a record how they had been killed ; and ordered through all the country of Rossillon, that all the cavaliers and ladies should come to observe their anniversary each year ; and Lord Raimon of Castel-Rossillon perished miserably in the prison of the King of Arragon.

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## II.—EXTRACT FROM THE PROVENÇAL GRAMMAR OF UC FAIDIT.

(*Bartsch, Chr. Prov.*, p. 193 ; *E. Stengel, Die beiden ältesten Prov. Gram., Marburg, 1878.*)

THE Provençal Grammar of Uc Faidit, which he styles the *Donatus Provincialis*, was written in the thirteenth century.

Las oit partz que om troba en gramatica, troba om en vulgar provençal, zo es : nome, pronome, verbe, adverbe, particip, conjunctios, prepositios, interjectios. Nom es apelatz per ço que significa substantia ab propria qualitat o ab comuna ; e largamen totas las causas e lasquals Adams pauset noms 5 poden esser noms appeladas. En nom a cinq causas : *species*, *genus*, nombre, figura, cas.

*Species* o es primitiva o es derivativa : primitius es apelatz lo nom que es per se, e no es venguz d'alqu nome ni d'alqu verbe, si cum es bontaz. Derivatius nom es aquel que ven 10

<sup>1</sup> *om* (Lat. *homo*, Fr. *on*).

<sup>2</sup> *Provençal*. Notice the spelling : so *caballus*—*cheval* ; *castellum*, Pr. *chastels*, Fr. *château*. The change is due in the last cases to a desire for softer sounds ; in *Provençal* the *ç* or *ch* represents the Lat. *ci*.

<sup>3</sup> *zo* (= *so*, *ço*) *es* = *id est*.

<sup>5</sup> *causas*, here in the sense of the modern form of the word—*choses*. Subject of *poden* (*poder*, perf.).

<sup>6</sup> *a = il y a*, 'in (a) noun there are,' &c.

<sup>8</sup> *o . . o* = 'either . . or.'

<sup>8</sup> *primitiva*, the *v* is vocalised in the masc. *primitius*.

<sup>9</sup> *venghz* = *vengut-z*, part. *venir*. Neuter verbs form their compound tenses with *esser*.

<sup>10</sup> *si cum es*, 'for instance.'

<sup>10</sup> *ven*, *venir*.

d'autre loc, si cum bos que ven de bontat, que bos non pot  
om esser ses bontat. . . . .

Li cas sun seis : nominatius, genetijs, datius, acusatius,  
vocatius, ablatius. Lo nominatius se conois per lo, si cum  
"lo reis es vengutz;" genetijs per de, si cum "aquest destriers 15  
es del rei;" datius per a, si cum "mena lo destrier al rel;"  
acusatius per lo, si cum "eu vei lo rei armat;" e no se pot  
conoisser ni triar l'acusatius del nominatiu, si no per zo quel  
nominatius singulars, quan es masculis, vol s en la fi, e li  
autre cas nol volen; el nominatiu plural no vol, e tuit li 20  
altre cas volen lo enl plural.

Pero lo vocatius deu semblar lo nominatiu en totas las ditions  
que fenissen in ors et en las autras ditions queus dirai aici :  
deus, reis, francs, pros, bos, cavaliers, canços. Et els altres  
locs on lo vocatius non a s en la fi, si es el semblans al 25  
nominatiu, al menhz en silabas et en letras, que deu aver  
aitals e tantas cum lo nominatius, trait sol s en la fi.

Pero de la regla on fo dit desus quel nominatius cas no vol  
s en la fi quan es *pluralis numeri*, voilh traire fors totz los  
feminis, que non es dit mas solamen dels masculis e dels 30

<sup>11</sup> *bos* = *bon-s*.

<sup>11</sup> *pot, poder*, pres. 'Since one cannot be good without goodness.'

<sup>13</sup> *sun, esser*.

<sup>14</sup> *se conois, v. conoiser*, 'is recognised.'

<sup>17</sup> *vei* from *vezzer*, pres. ind. 1 s. *eu* = 'I.'

<sup>18</sup> *si no*, &c., 'except through this that (que lo) the nom.'

<sup>19</sup> *vol, voler* pres. 'takes.'

<sup>20</sup> *nol* = *no lo*. *El* = *en lo*.

<sup>20</sup> *tuit*, pl. of *totz*. *Enl* = *en lo*.

<sup>22</sup> *deu* from *dever*, 3 p. s. pres. indic.

<sup>23</sup> *fenissen, fenir*. *Queus* = *que eus*, 'which I.'

<sup>24</sup> *els* = *en los*. *On* = 'where.'

<sup>26</sup> *al menhs* = 'au moins.'

<sup>27</sup> *trait, traire*, part., a kind of oblique absolute; 's alone at the end  
expressed.'

<sup>28</sup> *ou*, Fr. *où*, 'in which,' *quel* = *que lo*.

<sup>29</sup> *voilh, voler*, 1 pers. pres. 'I wish.'

neutris, que sun semblan el plural per totz locs, sitot s'es  
 contra gramatica. E lai on fo dit del nominatiu singular que  
 vol s pertot a la fi, voilh traire fors totz aquels que fenissen  
 en aire, si cum emperaire, amaire, et en eire, si cum Peire,  
 bevere, radeire, tondeire, pencheire, fencheire, bateire, foteirè 35  
 prendeire, teneire, et en ire, si cum traire, consentire,  
 escarnire, escremire, ferire, gronire ; mas albiures vol s e  
 conssiures e desires.

E devetz saber que tut aquelh queus ai dit, don lo  
 nominatiu singulars fenis en aire et en eire, fenissen totz lor 40  
 cas singulars es dor, trait lo vocatiu que sembla lo nomi-  
 natiu, si cum es dit desus. E de la regla del nominatiu  
 singular, que vol s a la fi, voilh ancar traire fors maestre,  
 prestre, pastre, sener, melher, pejer, sordejer, majer, menre,  
 sor, bar, gencer, leuger, greuger, e totz los ajectius neutris, 45  
 quan sun pausat senes substantiu, si cum " mal m'es, greu  
 m'es, fer m'es, esquiu m'es, estranh m'es, qu'el aja dit mal  
 de me." E voilh en traire fors encar dels pronomes alcus, si  
 cum eu, tu, el, qui, aquel, ilh, cel, aicel, aquest, nostre, vostre  
 que no volen s en la fi, e sun del nominatiu singular. 50

<sup>31</sup> *el plural* = *en lo*. *Sitot* = 'although.'

<sup>39</sup> *devetz, dever*, 'and you must know that all those which I have mentioned.'

<sup>39</sup> *don* = Fr. *dont*, rel. pron.

<sup>43</sup> *ancar* = Fr. *encore*, 'further,' = *encar* below, illustrating the variety of spelling the writers of the period allowed themselves.

<sup>48</sup> *voilh en* = Fr. *en*, pronoun.



## III. BALLADE.

(Bartsch, *Chrest. Prov.*, p. III.)

THE Ballade was sung as an accompaniment to the dance. (Prov. *ballar*, to dance.) Hence as a rule more attention is paid to the rhythm than to subtlety of thought.

The following lines form a sprightly little poem, and it is a good example of those light-hearted compositions in which the Troubadours more especially excelled. The writer is unknown, and it is assigned by Bartsch to the twelfth century.

A l'entrada del tems clar, eya  
 per joja recomençar, eya  
 e per jelos irritar, eya  
 vol la regina mostrar  
 qu' el' es si amoroza. 5  
 alavi', alavia, jelos  
 laissaz nos, laissaz nos  
 ballar entre nos, entre nos.  
 El a fait per tot mandar, eya  
 non sia jusqu' a la mar, eya 10  
 piucela ni bachalar, eya  
 que tuit non venguan dançar  
 en la dansa jojoza.

<sup>1</sup> *eya* is an interjection expressing gladness of heart, and hardly admits of translation.

<sup>3</sup> *jelos*, obj. pl.

<sup>4</sup> *vol*, *voler* perf. to wish.

<sup>6</sup> *alavia*, 'away, away, ye jealous ones.'

<sup>9</sup> *sia*, *esser* pres. subj.

<sup>12</sup> *tuit*, pl. of *totz*, all. *Venguan*, *venir*, pres. subj.

Lo reis i ven d'autra part, eya  
 per la dansa destorbar, eya 15  
 que el es en cremetar, eya  
 que om no li voill' emblar  
 la regin' aurilloza.

Mais per nient lo vol far, eya  
 qu' ela n'a sonh de viellart, eya 20  
 mais d'un leugier bachalar, eya  
 qui ben sapcha solaçar  
 la domna savoroza.

Qui donc la vezes dançar, eya  
 e son gent cors deportar, eya 25  
 ben pogra dir de vertat, eya  
 qu'el mont non aja sa par  
 la regina jojoza.  
 alavi', alavia, jelos,  
 laissaz nos, laissaz nos 30  
 ballar entre nos, entre nos.

<sup>14</sup> *i* = Fr. *y*, 'there.'

<sup>15</sup> *per*, expressing purpose.

<sup>17</sup> *voill'*, *voler*, subj. No. The negative after a verb of fearing is a familiar idiom in the Classics and Modern Languages generally.

<sup>19</sup> *per nient*, 'in vain does he wish to do it.'

<sup>23</sup> *sapcha*, *saber*, 'to know,' pres. subj.

<sup>24</sup> *la*, obl. *vezes*, *vezer*.

<sup>26</sup> *pogra*, *poder*, fut. indic.

<sup>27</sup> *el mont* = *en lo mont*, 'in the world.' *Aja*, *aver*. *Sa par*, 'her peer.'

## IV. HYMN TO OUR LADY, BY PEIRE DE CORBIAC.

(Bartsch, *Chr. Prov.*, p. 211.)

PEIRE DE CORBIAC was a Troubadour of the thirteenth century, and his title to fame rests on this hymn, an exquisitely modulated composition, worthy to rank with the best of Christian lyrics. The hymns of the Troubadours for the most part are of no great merit, being as a rule mere translations of the Latin hymns of the Church.

Domna, dels angels regina,  
 esperansa dels crezens,  
 segon quem aonda sens,  
 chan de vos lenga romana ;  
 quar nulhs hom justz ni peccaire 5  
 de vos lauzar nos deu traire,  
 cum sos sens mielhs l'aparelha,  
 romans o lenga latina.

Domna, roza ses espina,  
 sobre totas flors olens, 10  
 verga seca frug fazens,

<sup>2</sup> *crezens*, *crezer*, pres. part.

<sup>3</sup> *segon* = Fr. *selon*. *Quem* = que mi. *Aonda*, 'abounds.' The meaning is 'according to the best of my power.'

<sup>4</sup> *chan*, *chanter* pres. ind. 1 s. *Lenga* (*lingua*) i.e. in the Provençal tongue.

<sup>6</sup> *nos* = *no si*. *Deu*, *dever*, lit. 'ought to draw himself from praising you.'

<sup>7</sup> *cum mielhs* = *du mieux*; the meaning, is 'in the best way his thoughts prompt him.'

<sup>8</sup> i.e. in the language of the people, or of the Church.

<sup>11</sup> *verga*, 'rod,' distinguish from *verge*, 'virgin.' *Frug*, obl. *Fazens*, *faire*, pres. part.

terra que ses labor grana,  
 estela, del solelh maire,  
 noirissa del vostre paire,  
 el mon nulha nous semelha 15  
 ni londana ni vezina.

Domna, joves infantina  
 fos a dieu obediens  
 en totz sos comandamens,  
 per que la gens crestiana 20  
 cre ver e sap tot l'afaire  
 queus dis l'angels saludaire,  
 quan receubes per l'aurelha  
 dieu cui enfantes vergina.

Domna, verges pura e fina, 25  
 ans que fos l'enfantamens,  
 et apres tot eissamens,  
 receup en vos carn humana  
 Jhesu Crist nostre salvaire,  
 si com ses trencamen faire 30  
 intral bels rais quan solelha  
 per la fenestra veirina.

Domna, vos etz l'aiglentina  
 que trobet vert Moysens,  
 entre las flamas ardens, 35

<sup>15</sup> *el mon* = *en lo mon*, 'in the world.' *Nous* = *no vos*.

<sup>21</sup> *cre*, *crezer*, 'to believe.' *Sap*, *saber*, 'know.'

<sup>22</sup> *queus* = *que vos*. *Saludaire*, alluding to the 'Hail, Mary.'

<sup>23</sup> *receubes*, *recebre* (compound of *cabre*), perf. indic. 2 pl.

<sup>24</sup> *enfantes*, *enfantar*, perf. 2 pl., 'to bear a child.'

<sup>26</sup> lit. 'as you were before the child-birth and after just the same.'

<sup>28</sup> *receup*, *recebre*, perf. 3 s.

<sup>30</sup> lit. 'just as, without causing breakage.'

<sup>31</sup> *intra lo*. *Solelha*, 'when the sun shines.' A beautiful simile.

e la toizos de la lana  
 ques moillet dins la sec' aire,  
 don Gedeons fon proaire ;  
 e naturas meravelha  
 com remazetz intaizina.

40

Domna, estela marina,  
 de las autras plus luzens,  
 la mars nos combat el vens ;  
 mostra nos via certana :  
 car sins vols a bon port traire,  
 non tem nau ni gouvernaire  
 ni tempest quens destorbelha  
 nil sobern de la marina.

45

Domna, metges e mezina,  
 lectoaris et enguens,  
 los nafratz de mort guirens,  
 l'aviheje onh e sana ;  
 doussa, pia, de bon aire,  
 vos me faitz de mal estraire,  
 quar perduetz es qui somelha,  
 que la mortz l'es trop vezina.

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<sup>36</sup> *toizos* (Fr. *toison*), 'fleece.'

<sup>37</sup> *ques* = *que se*. *Se moillet* = 'was moistened.'

<sup>38</sup> *proaire*, a prover, one who tests or tries. 'Of which Gideon made trial.'

<sup>39</sup> *natura se*, 'and nature wondered how you remained unstained.'

<sup>40</sup> *e lo vens*.

<sup>41</sup> *mostra*, imperat.

<sup>42</sup> *sins* = *si nos*. *Vols, voler*, pres. 2 pers.

<sup>43</sup> *quens* = *que nos*.

<sup>44</sup> *nil* = *ni lo*.

<sup>45</sup> *mezina*, Lat. *medicina*.

<sup>46</sup> *nafratz*, past part. 'the wounded.'

<sup>47</sup> *onh, onher*, imperat. 'anoint.'

Domna, espoza filh' e maire,  
mandal filh e pregal paire,  
ab l'espos parl' e conselha,  
com merces nos si' aizina.

60

Nos dormem, mas tuns revelha  
ans quens sia mortz vezina.

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<sup>58</sup> *manda lo filh e prega lo paire.*

<sup>60</sup> *si' = sia, esser, pres. subj.*

<sup>61</sup> 'but do thou wake us, ere death be nigh us.'

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V.—CHANSON OF THE LADY OF VILANOVA.

(*Las joyas del gay saber*, p. 278. *Bartsch, Chr. Prov.*, p. 415.)

THIS chanson belongs to the latest period of Provençal literature. To avoid the extinction of their art, which seemed imminent, the few remaining Troubadours formed themselves into an Academy of the Gay Science at Toulouse. The poems produced under these auspices are for the most part learned compositions, marked by a conscious striving after archaic forms.

Quan lo printens acampat a las nivas,  
e que tenen lo florit mes de May,  
vos uffrizetz a manhs dictators gay  
del gay saber las flors molt agradivas.

Reyna d'amors, poderosa Clamensa,  
a vos me clam per trobar lo repaus,  
que si de vos mos dictatz an un laus,  
aurey la flor que de vos pren naysensa.

Jotz lo mantel d'una verges sagrada  
la flor nasquet per nostre salvamen ;  
dosseta flor, don lo governamen  
nos portara la patz que molt agrada.

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<sup>1</sup> *acampat a*, 'has driven away.'

<sup>2</sup> *tenen*, *tenir*.

<sup>5</sup> *Clamensa*, *i.e.* Clemence.

<sup>6</sup> *clam*, *clamar*, imperat.

<sup>7</sup> *mos* = *mons*, 'my.'

<sup>9</sup> *sagrada*, 'consecrated.'

<sup>10</sup> *nasquet*, *naisser*.

Baysar la flor, fons de tota noblessa,  
sera tostems mon sobira desir ;  
e se del cel podi me far ausir,  
mitigara del peccat la rudessa.

15

Maires del Christ, que sus totas etz pura,  
donatz, sius platz, podre d'estre fizel ;  
gitatz nos len del gran serpen cruzel,  
e mostras nos lo cami de dreitura.

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<sup>15</sup> *podì, poder*, pres. indic. 1 s.

<sup>17</sup> *maires*, vocative. Mark the s.

<sup>18</sup> *si vos, platz, plazer*.

<sup>20</sup> *camì*, Fr. *chemin*.

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VI.—THE TREASURE OF PEIRE DE CORBIAC.

(Conclusion. *Bartsch, Chres. Prov.*, p. 214.)

*Lo Texaurs* was intended by its author to be a parade of his literary accomplishments and his powers of rhyme. Such a *tour de force* would probably secure attention in any language, but it cannot be regarded as of any great merit. Again, the writer's enumeration of those he knew is curiously deficient as regards Latin literature, and serves well to illustrate the general ignorance of the period; and it is therefore because of, rather than in spite of, its peculiarities that I have inserted it here.

The poem belongs to the thirteenth century, and the writer was the author of the "Hymn to the Virgin" already given.

Faulas d'auctors sai ieu a miliers et a cens,  
 mais c'anc non fetz Ovidis ni Tales lo mentens;  
 mais tan n'an fach auctor trobas e fenhemens,  
 non o poiria comtar a totz mos jorns vivens,  
 las lor genologias e lor probainamens, 5  
 las artz els artificis e los trasgitamens  
 ni las elluzios d'aquels decebemens.  
 mais las gestas majors sai be triadamens,  
 de Troja e de Tebas com fol destruimens,

<sup>1</sup> *sai*, *saber*, pres. indic. 1 s.

<sup>2</sup> *c'* = *que*. *Fetz*, *faire*, perf., past part. *fach*.

<sup>3</sup> *an*, *aver*.

<sup>4</sup> *o*, neut. obl. 'them.' *Poiria*, *poder*, conditional.

<sup>5</sup> *las lor*. The article is commonly used with the possessive. *Lor* was indeclinable in the earlier stage of the language.

<sup>6</sup> *els* = *e las*.

<sup>9</sup> *fol* = *fo lo*.

e com en Lombardia venc Eneas fugens, 10  
 com fetz sos filhs Alcanis d'Albanals bastimens.  
 aquí duret l'emperis quatorz' engenramens,  
 tro que Remus e Romulus que foron dels parens,  
 feron un pauc recepte, e fon lor guerimens :  
 so fon Roma la grans, pauc cadapauc creissens, 15  
 caps de trastot lo mon e senhorejamens.  
 trop de guerras sofri e moutz esvazimens :  
 tug foron sei vengut, anc us non fon vencens.

De Cezar, de Pompieu sai ieu perfiechamens  
 las vidas e las mortz els entrecaussamens, 20  
 los trebalhs e las guerras e los descofimens  
 ques mogro l'un a l'autre entrecapiadamens.  
 pero en patz esteron e acordadamens.  
 si fo vius Marchus Crassus qui moric aur bevens,  
 cui tug l'ome del mon feron aclinamens. 25  
 noi remas hom ni femna nol dones annalmens  
 cadaus per son cap denier d'aur cessalmens.

<sup>10</sup> *venc, venir*, perf.

<sup>11</sup> 'How his son Ascanius made the buildings of Alba Longa,'  
*Albanals* = *Albana los*.

<sup>13</sup> *foron, esser*, perf.

<sup>14</sup> *feron, faire*, perf. *Fon, esser*, perf.

<sup>15</sup> *pauc cadapauc*, 'little by little.'

<sup>17</sup> *sofri, sofrir*, perf.

<sup>18</sup> *tug*, plural of *totz*, 'all.'

<sup>19</sup> *sei*, reflexive. *Vengut, vencer*, past part. 'to conquer.'

<sup>21</sup> *guerras*, a Teutonic word.

<sup>22</sup> *ques* = *que se*. *Mogro, mover*, perf. 3 pl.

<sup>23</sup> *esteron, estar*, perf.

<sup>24</sup> *si*, marking a transition. *Vius (viv-s)*, the *v* vocalised before the sibilant. *Moric, morir*, perf. *Aur bevens*. Such instances of poetical justice have great vitality.

<sup>26</sup> *no i remas (remaner) hom ni femna no li dones, etc.* 'There remained there neither man nor woman (that) did not give him year by year,' &c.

Neros renhet apres, mais lo sieus renhamens  
 fon a crestiandat molt grans destorbamens  
 et a tot l'autre mon grans empejuramens. 30  
 Roma la gran fetz ardre per fols efachamens,  
 sa mair' e so maistre aucir fetz malamens.  
 e can fo fach al pobol d'aquel desliuramens,  
 Vespazias e'n Titus, cui fol governamens,  
 passeron la gran mar ab grans navejamens, 35  
 dreg ves Jherusalem, abdui comunalmens.  
 tant estet enviro lo lor assetjamens  
 tro grans cocha de fam fetz cels dedins rendens.  
 aqui fon de juzieus grans enviliamens,  
 trenta per un denier : so fon lo venjamens 40  
 del mercat c'ap els fetz Judas lo descrezens,  
 que vendet Jhesu Crist trenta deniers d'argens.  
 dotze Cezars ac Roma tot enteiradamens :  
 Costantis fol dotzes, que per revelamens  
 conoc signe de crotz e fo'n en dieu crezens ; 45  
 so fo als crestians molt grans eissaussamens.

L'estoria dels Grex nom tol oblidadamens,  
 qu'ieu sai com Alexandris, lo fortz el conquerens,  
 conques dotze regismes en dotze ans solamens.

<sup>28</sup> *sieus*, possessive, 'but his reign was.'

<sup>32</sup> *aucir*, 'he had killed.' Distinguish this verb from *ausir*.

<sup>33</sup> *fach, faire*, past part. 'and when deliverance from him was.'

<sup>34</sup> 'n = *dom-en*. *fol* = *fo lo*.

<sup>36</sup> 'right to Jerusalem, both together.'

<sup>38</sup> *rendens, rendre*, reflex. 'surrender.'

<sup>41</sup> *del mercat*, objective genitive. *C'* = *que*.

<sup>45</sup> *conoc, conoisser*, perf. indic. 3 s. *En, &c.*, 'and became on that account a believer in God.'

<sup>47</sup> The formation is, *Grecs, Grecx, Grex*. *No me tol (tolre)*.

<sup>48</sup> *el* = *e lo*.

<sup>49</sup> *conques, conquerre (conquerir)*.

e can saup que sa mortz seria prophanamens, 50  
 parti als dotze pars totz sos conqueremens,  
 car l'avian servit molt honorablamens.

D'estorias de Francs sai ieu continuamens,  
 e del fort Clodoier, que pels sermonamens  
 san Remezi, que fon arcivesques de Rems, 55  
 crezet la lei de dieu els seus establimens,  
 e de Carle Martel que tolc los demamens,  
 de Pepin lo petit, com visquet lejalmens,  
 de Carle, de Rotlan los grans conqueremens,  
 que feron en Espanha ab las pajanas gens, 60  
 e del rei Lodoic que s'aucis enferens :  
 anc no fo negus reis qu'estes plus engalmens,  
 c'anc non gazanhet terra ni'n perdet autramens.

Las estorias englezas sai ben perfiechamens,  
 de Bruto lo truant co afortidamens 65  
 arribet en Bretanha ab grans navejamens  
 e venc en Englaterra per far pobolamens :  
 lai venquet Cornilieu lo gajan encorrens ;

<sup>50</sup> *saup*, *saber*, perf. indic. *Seria*, *esser*, conditional.

<sup>52</sup> *avian*, i.e. his generals.

<sup>53</sup> *continuamens*. Even our self-complacent poet seems to be conscious that his treatment of Greek history *laisse à désirer*.

<sup>44</sup> *Clodoier* (cf. Ger. *Ludwig*), Clovis, hence Louis. 'Who through the sermons of S. Remigius, who was the Archbishop of Rheims, believed,' &c.

<sup>56</sup> *e los*. *Seus*, possessive.

<sup>57</sup> *tolc*, *tolre*, perf.

<sup>58</sup> *visquet*, *viure*, perf. indic.

<sup>61</sup> 'who was slain in battle.'

<sup>65</sup> *truant*, from *truans*, the final consonant of the stem disappears on the addition of the *s* of flexion.

<sup>68</sup> *lai*, 'there.' *Venquet*, *vencer*, perf.

quant ac la terra preza ses contradisamens,  
fo partida per sortz en mains de guisamens. 70  
de Merli lo salvatje con dis escuramens  
de totz los reis engles los prophetizamens.  
de la mort Artus sai per que n'es doptamens,  
de Galvan so nebot los aventuramens,  
de Tristan e d'Ysolt los enamoramens, 75  
e del clerc lauzengier, per quals lauzengamens  
de leis e del rei March partil maridamens,  
de Guillelm lo perdut com fo terra tenens,  
del fo rei Aroet, com fo larcs e metens,  
e d'aquels reis en sai que sabon autras gens. 80

Senhors, encar sai ieu molt be uzadamens  
cantar en sancta glieiza per ponhs e per accens,  
triplar *sanctus* et *angus* e contraponchamens,  
entonar *seculorum*, non es menhs us amens,  
e far dous chans et orgues e contrapointamens, 85  
e sai be mo mestier aperceubudamens,  
tot caresme carnal, quatre temps et avens.  
e sai be cansonetas e vers bos e valens,  
pastorelas ab precis amoros e plazens,  
retroensas e dansas gentet e coindamens. 90  
de totas gens del mon sai aver grazimens,

<sup>69</sup> *quant* = *quan*, the *t* being pronounced and therefore written only before a vowel. *Preza*, *prendre*, past part. fem. obl. agreeing with *terra*.

<sup>73</sup> *per que*, 'why,' Fr. *pourquoi*. *Ne* = Ital. *ne*, 'why there is doubt of it.'

<sup>77</sup> *de leis*, 'of her.' *Parti lo*, &c., 'was dissolved.'

<sup>80</sup> *en* refers to *d'aquels reis*. *Sabon*, *saber*.

<sup>83</sup> *contraponchamens*, i.e. the antiphonal chanting of the choir.

<sup>84</sup> refers to the '*in secula seculorum*' at the end of the *Gloria*. *Es menhs*, 'is wanting.'

<sup>89</sup> *cansonetas*, see the Introduction for an account of the various forms of composition practised by the Troubadours.

de clercs, de cavaliers, de domnas avinens,  
 de borges, de joglars, d'escudiers, de servens;  
 e sai esser del segle ben e ginhozamens,  
 retenc los fols els savis, a cascu sui plazens, 95  
 em sai guarar d'enueitz e de deschauzimens,  
 em tenc en gent parlar et en ensenhamens.  
 e qui aisso non a non pot esser valens.  
 ab totz me sai aidar, ab fols et ab sabens :  
 ab fols passi com puese, ab savis saviemens. 100

Senhors, so es mos tesaurs e mos amassamens,  
 mos jois e mos repaus e mos delechamens.  
 e quem tanh si no ai d'aver grans cobramens  
 quem tengua en paor ni en consiramens ?  
 set jorns de la setmana m'estau alegramens, 105  
 que non ai consirier ni negus pensamens.  
 senher dieus, ja nous quier trop grans tezauramens,

<sup>93</sup> *joglars* (Lat. *joculator*, Fr. *jongleur*, Eng. *juggler*). These were the minstrels who accompanied the Troubadours on their wanderings. They were wont to provide interludes of juggling and buffoonery. Finally, they became poets themselves, and to this the decline of the art is to a great degree attributed.

<sup>94</sup> *escudiers* (Lat. *scutarius*, Fr. *écuyer*, Eng. *esquire*).

<sup>95</sup> *retenc*, *retenir*, pres. ind. 1 s. *Sui*, *esser*, pres. ind. 1 s.

<sup>96</sup> *e me*, 'and I know how to guard myself,' &c.

<sup>98</sup> *aisso* = 'that' obl. strengthened form of *so*. *Pot*, *poder*, pres. ind. 3 s.

<sup>100</sup> *passi*, *passar*, pres. ind. 1 s. The retention of the flexional *i* is rare. *Puese*, *poder*, pres. ind. 1 s.

<sup>103</sup> 'and what does it matter to me if I have not the possession of (*d'aver*) great riches, which (antecedent *aver*) would keep me in fear and care?'

<sup>103</sup> *tanh*, *tanher*, pres. ind.

<sup>104</sup> *tengua*, *tenir*, pres. subj.

<sup>105</sup> *setmana*, hence Fr. *semaine*. *M'estau*, 'I live,' *estar*, pres. ind.

<sup>107</sup> *nous* = *no vos*. *Quier*, *querre* (*querir*), pres. ind. Notice the modification of the stem-vowel. 'I do not ask of you.'

mas santat a mon cors et assaciamens,  
tan cant viurai al segle, vianda e vestimens,  
e quem des far las obras quem sian salvamens  
al dia del juzizi, ver dieu omnipotens.

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<sup>109</sup> *tan cant*, 'as long as.' *Viurai*, *viure*, fut.

<sup>110</sup> *des far*, 'after performing my labours.'

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## VII.—ALBA OF GUIRAUT DE BORNEIL.

(Bartsch, *Chrest. Prov.*, p. 101.)

THE *Alba* was a form of composition born of the licentious manners of the period. The lover laments the approach of dawn, which compels him to leave his mistress. Examples are comparatively rare.

The author of the present poem, Guiraut de Borneil, flourished about the end of the twelfth and beginning of the thirteenth centuries. He was a native of Limousin. The Provençal Biography (cf. Mahn, *die Biog. der Troub.*, p. 13) tells us that he was a man of humble birth, but, at the same time, of great literary capacity and natural acuteness. He was reputed to be a better poet than any of those who preceded or followed him. Hence he is called the Master of the Troubadours. He refused to marry, and gave up all the earnings of his art to his poor parents and the church of his native town. The latter still bears the name of S. Gervasius.

Reis glorios, verais lums e clartatz,  
deus poderos, senher, si a vos platz,  
al meu companh sias fizels ajuda,  
qu'eu non lo vi pos la noitz fon venguda,  
et ades sera l'alba.

5

<sup>1</sup> The watchman is speaking through the first six stanzas. The strange mixture of sacred and profane strikes a jarring note on modern ears.

<sup>2</sup> *platz*, *plazer*.

<sup>3</sup> *sias*, *esser*, pres. subj.

<sup>4</sup> *vi*, *vezzer*. *Fon venguda* (*venir*). Neuter verbs form their compound tenses with *esser*.

<sup>5</sup> 'And soon will be the dawn.'



Bel companho, si dormetz o velhatz,  
non dormatz plus, suau vos ressidatz,  
qu'en orient vei l'estela creguda,  
qu'amenal jorn, qu'eu l'ai ben conoguda,  
et ades sera l'alba.

10

Bel companho, en chantan vos apel,  
non dormatz plus, qu'eu aug cantar l'auzel  
que vai queren lo jorn per lo boscatge,  
et ai paor quel gilos vos assatge,  
et ades sera l'alba.

15

Bel companho, eissetz al fenestrel,  
et esgardatz les ensenhas del cel;  
conoisseretz sius sui fizels messatge:  
si non o faitz, vostres n'er lo dampnatge,  
et ades sera l'alba.

20

Bel companho, pos mi parti de vos,  
eu non dormi nim moc de ginolhos,  
ans preguei deu lo filh sancta Maria,  
queus mi rendes per lejal companhia,  
et ades sera l'alba.

25

<sup>7</sup> dormatz, ressidatz, imperat. 2 plur.

<sup>8</sup> vei, vezer, pres. creguda, creisser, to grow.

<sup>9</sup> amena lo jorn. Conoguda, conoisser.

<sup>11</sup> chantan, gerund.

<sup>12</sup> aug, auzir, 'to hear.'

<sup>13</sup> vai, anar, pres. ind. 3 s. 'to go.'

<sup>14</sup> assatge, assatgar, pres. subj. 'surprise.'

<sup>16</sup> eissetz, eissir, imperat.

<sup>18</sup> si vos sui (esser).

<sup>19</sup> ne = Ital. *ne*. *Er* (Lat. *crit*) is rare = *sera*.

<sup>21</sup> parti, partir, perf.

<sup>22</sup> ni me moc (mover, perf.)

<sup>23</sup> preguei, pregar, perf. The *a* is inserted to harden the *g* before the soft vowel. Sancta Maria, i.e. 'of S. Mary.'

<sup>24</sup> que vos. Rendes, imperf. subj.

Bel companho, la foras als peiros  
 me prejavatz qu'eu no fos dormilhos,  
 enans velhes tota noit tro al dia ;  
 aras nous platz mos chans ni ma paria,  
 et ades sera l'alba."

30

" Bel dous companh, tan sui en ric sojorn  
 qu'eu no volgra mais fos alba ni jorn,  
 car la gensor que anc nasques de maire  
 tenc et abras, per qu'eu non prezi gaire  
 lo fol gilos ni l'alba."

35

<sup>26</sup> 'outside on the steps.'

<sup>27</sup> *fos*, *esser*, impf. subj.

<sup>28</sup> *velhes*, *velhar*, imperf. subj.

<sup>29</sup> *nous* = *no vous*.

<sup>31</sup> The lover replies to the watchman from the window.

<sup>32</sup> *volgra*, *voler*, condit.; *que* is understood. *Fos*, v. 27.

<sup>33</sup> *gensor*; *gens*, comp. *genser*, obl. *gensor*, object. of *tenc* (*tenir*).  
*Nasques*, *naisser*, imperf. subj.

<sup>34</sup> *non* . . *gaire* = *ne* . . *guère*. 'Wherefore care I not at all for  
 jealous fool or dawn.'

VIII.—CHANSON OF BEATRICE DE DIE.

(Bartsch, *Chrest. Prov.*, p. 71.)

BEATRICE, COUNTESS OF DIE, a town in the Dauphiny, laments in this *canço* the faithlessness of her lover, Raimbaut, Count of Orange. In spite of the rather undignified nature of the poem, it is not without merit in respect of its pathos and air of gentle suffering. It belongs to the twelfth century.

A cantar m'er de so qu'eu no volria,  
tant me rancur de lui cui sui amia ;  
car eu l'am mais que nuilla ren que sia :  
vas lui nom val merces ni cortezia,  
ni ma beltatz ni mos pretz ni mos sens ;  
c'atressim sui enganad' e trahia  
com degr' esser, s'eu fos dezavinens.

D'aissom conort, car auc non fis faillensa,  
amics, vas vos per nuilla captenensa ;  
ans vos am mais non fetz Seguis Valensa,      10  
e platz mi mout que eu d'amar vos vensa,

<sup>1</sup> *er, esser*, fut. with *a* foll. by infin. expresses necessity: 'I shall have to sing.' *Volria, voler*, condit. (2nd form).

<sup>2</sup> *rancur, rancura*, pres. indic. 1 s. 'Such moan I make for him whose love I am.'

<sup>s</sup> *am, amar.* *Sia*, subj. because indefinite.

<sup>4</sup> *no me*, 'towards him avails me not,' &c.

<sup>6</sup> *c* = *que*, 'since.' *Atressi* with *com*, 'just as I should deserve to be.' *Enganada*, *trahia*, past part.

<sup>7</sup> *degra, dever*, condit. (1 form). *Fos*, imperf. subj.

<sup>8</sup> *me conort*, 'I console myself.' *Fis, faire*, perf.

<sup>10</sup> *fetz, faire.*

<sup>11</sup> *platz, plazer.* *Vensa, vencer,* pres. subj.

lo meus amics, car etz lo plus valens ;  
mi faitz orgoil en digz et en parvensa,  
e si etz francs vas totas autras gens.

Meraveill me cum vostre cors s'orgoilla, 15  
amics, vas me, per qu'ai razon quem doilla ;  
non es ges dreitz c'autr' amors vos mi toilla,  
per nuilla ren queus diga nius acoilla.  
e membre vos cals fol comensamens  
de nostr' amor : ja dompnedeus non voilla 20  
qu'en ma colpa sial departimens.

Proeza grans, qu'el vostre cors s'aizina,  
e lo rics pretz qu'avetz m'en ataina ;  
c'una non sai, loindana ni vezina,  
si vol amar, vas vos no si' aclina : 25  
mas vos, amics, es ben tant conoissens  
que ben devetz conoisser la plus fina ;  
e membre vos de nostres partimens.

Valer mi deu mos pretz e mos paratges  
e ma beutatz, e plus mos fins coratges ; 30

<sup>12</sup> *etz* (Lat. *estis*), *esser*, pres.

<sup>13</sup> *faitz*, lit. 'cause me pride.'

<sup>14</sup> *e si*, 'even if.'

<sup>15</sup> 'it astonishes me.'

<sup>16</sup> *doilla*, *doler*, subj. pres. 'since there is excuse for my grief.'

<sup>17</sup> *toilla*, *tolre*, pres. subj. 'that another love should take you from me.'

<sup>18</sup> *ni eus* ; the meaning is 'whatever I may say or do.' *Diga*, *dire*.  
*Acoilla*, *acohir*, pres. subj.

<sup>19</sup> *membre*, subj. pres. 3 s. impers. *Fol* = *fo lo*.

<sup>20</sup> *dompnedeus*, 'The Lord God.' *Voilla*, *voler*, pres. subj.

<sup>21</sup> *sia lo*.

<sup>22</sup> *el* = *en lo*. *Cors*, indecl.

<sup>23</sup> 'vexes me on that account' (*en*).

<sup>25</sup> *vol*, *voler*. *Si* = *sia*.

<sup>26</sup> *es* = *etz*, *esser*, 2 p. pres. ind.

<sup>29</sup> *deu*, *dever*, pres. ind. 3 s.

per qu'eu vos man, lai on es vos vostr' estatges,  
 esta chanson, que me sia messatges ;  
 e voill saber, lo meus bels amics gens,  
 per que m'etz vos tant fers ni tant salvatges ;  
 no sai si s'es orgoills ni mals talens. 35

Mas aitan plus voill li digas, messatges,  
 qu'en trop d'orgoill ant gran dan maintas gens.

<sup>31</sup> *man* = *mand* from *mandar* ; the final stem-vowel sometimes disappears, especially if a dental : 'wherefore I send you, there where, &c., this song that it may be,' &c.

<sup>32</sup> *esta*, fem. of *est*.

<sup>33</sup> *voill*, *voler*, pres. indic. 1 s.

<sup>35</sup> *sai*, *saber*. *S'es* = *so es*, 'it is.'

<sup>36</sup> Envoi. She addresses the poem. *Digas*, *dire*, subj. *Li*, 'to him.'

<sup>37</sup> *maintas gens* is subject, *gran dan* object of *ant*.

## IX.—THE ROMANCE OF FLAMENCA.

(*Bartsch, Chrest. Prov.*, p. 295; *Le Roman de Flamenca*, ed. Paul Meyer (with translation into Mod. French). Paris, 1865. Cf. *Macmillan's Magazine*, vol. xxxvi, 211, for a sketch of the poem by Francis Hueffer.)

THE Romance of Flamenca is the best surviving example of the epic poems of Southern France. Provençal literature was by no means rich in epics, popular or artistic, and therefore Flamenca, which belongs to the class of artistic compositions, is of special value and interest. It was written in the thirteenth century, but, owing to the loss of the opening and conclusion of the poem, the name of the author is unknown. The selection given is from verses 485-608 of Meyer's edition.

The story is briefly this. Flamenca was the daughter of Count Gui de Nemours, and was bestowed by him in marriage on Archimbaut of Bourbon. Such was the beauty and renown of his wife that Archimbaut's jealousy was aroused by the most trivial incidents. Flamenca was accordingly shut up in a tower, which she was allowed to leave only for the purpose of attending mass. This cruel imprisonment aroused the pity, and the love to which pity is akin, of a certain Guillem de Nevers, a gentleman possessed of every grace and virtue. He assumed the disguise of a server at mass, and thus managed to communicate his love. Two words only were exchanged at each mass, and the conditions of conversation would, therefore, seem to have been somewhat difficult. By the advice of Guillem, Flamenca feigned illness, and was taken to the Baths of Bourbon. Guillem had a lodging which communicated with the bath by

an underground passage, and thus the lovers met. Subsequently Archimbaut perceived that he had lost his wife's love, and became more reasonable in his treatment of her.

The selected verses describe the marriage feast given in his daughter's honour by the Count de Nemours.

The poem is written in octosyllabic rhyming couplets.

Cant agron tuit la mess' auzida,  
 le reis a Flamenca causida  
 et eis s'en ab leis del mostier ;  
 apres lui van be tres millier  
 de cavalliers que donas menon. 5  
 tuit ensems al palais s'en venon  
 on le manjars fon adobatz,  
 le palain fo e grans e latz :  
 X millier la pogran caber  
 de cavalliers e larc sezer 10  
 part las donas e las donzellas,  
 e l'autra gen ques era ab ellas,  
 part los donzels els servidors  
 que degron servir los seinors,  
 e part los juglars eissamen 15  
 qu'eran plus de mil e cinc cen.

<sup>1</sup> *auzida*, *auzir*, past part. fem.

<sup>2</sup> *le*, weakened from *lo*. *A*, *aver*.

<sup>3</sup> *eis s'en* (*s'en eissir*), 'went out with her from the monastery.'

<sup>4</sup> *van*, *anar*, pres. ind. 3 pl.

<sup>7</sup> *adobatz*, *adobar*, past part. nom.

<sup>9</sup> *pogran*, *poder*, condit. 3 pl. *Caber la*, 'to be contained in it.'

<sup>10</sup> *e larc*, 'and to sit at ease'; cf. our expression 'at large.'

<sup>11</sup> *part*, preposition, 'besides.'

<sup>13</sup> *els* = *e los*. *Servidors*, *servire*, obj. pl.

<sup>14</sup> *degron*, *dever*.

<sup>15</sup> *juglars*, v. Introd.

Quant an lavat tuit son asis :  
 hanc noi ac banc mais de coissis  
 qu'eran tuit cubert de diaspres :  
 e nous penses negus fos aspres 20  
 dels mandils on ensugolz mas,  
 ans fo be cascus belz e plas.  
 quan las donas foron acisas,  
 venon manjar e moutas guisas ;  
 mais ja nom cal ques aiso diga. 25  
 nulla res nos pot far d'espiga  
 ni de razas ni de rasim  
 ni de frucha ni de noirim  
 ni de so ques aers suffris  
 ni terra ni mars ni abis, 30  
 ques om manjar posca ni deja,  
 que ja'n degues portar enveja  
 aquel que menor part n'avia  
 a cel que plus ric lai vezia.  
 Be son servit a lor talen : 35  
 mas ben i ac plus de cinc sen

<sup>17</sup> 'When they have washed, all seat themselves.'

<sup>18</sup> *asis*. Neuter verbs form their compound tenses with *esser*.

<sup>19</sup> *no i ac* = *il n'y avait pas*. *Que* is understood.

<sup>20</sup> *nous* = *no vos*. *Fos, esser*, imperf. subj.

<sup>21</sup> *on*, 'on which (*ensugo las mas*) they wiped their hands.'

<sup>22</sup> *acisas*, 'were seated' (*acire, as-, ass-*). <sup>21</sup> *e* = *en* 'in.'

<sup>23</sup> *no me*. *Cal, caler*. *Diga, dire*, pres. subj. 'but it is not necessary that I should tell it.'

<sup>24</sup> *nos* = *no se, pot, poder*. 'There can be (*se far*) no,' &c.

<sup>25</sup> *de so que*, 'of whatever air provides, or earth,' &c.

<sup>26</sup> *posca, poder; deja, dever*, pres. subj. 'that one is able or ought to eat.'

<sup>27</sup> *en*, 'on that account.' *Degues, dever*, imperf. subj.

<sup>28</sup> *menor*, obj. of *menre*, comp. of *paucs*, 'little.'

<sup>29</sup> *vezia, vezzer*, imperf. <sup>30</sup> *servit*, nom. plural of participle.



que cascus esgarda e mira  
 Flamenca, e can plus cossira  
 sa faiso ni sa captenenza  
 e sa beutat c' ades agenza, 40  
 sos oils ne pais a l'esgardar  
 e fai la bocca jejunar :  
 e pergal deus si grat l'en sap !  
 mai si pogues traire a cap  
 que sol un mot ab lei parles, 45  
 noil calgra si pois dejunes.  
 mout s'en levon boca dejuna.  
 mais non i ac dona neisuna  
 no volgues Flamenca semblar ;  
 qu' aissi com es soleils ses par 50  
 per beutat e per resplandor,  
 tals es Flamenca antre lor ;  
 quar tant es fresca sa colors,  
 siei esgart douz e ple d'amors,  
 siei dig plazent e saboros 55  
 que la bellazers el plus pros  
 e que plus sol esser jugosa  
 estet quais muda et antosa.

<sup>40</sup> *c'* for *que*, 'which pleases.'

<sup>41</sup> *pais* from *païsser*, pres. ind.

<sup>43</sup> *perga* from *perir*. *Sap. saber*.

<sup>44</sup> *pogues, poder*, imperf. subj. *Traire a cap*, 'accomplish.'

<sup>46</sup> *no i lo calgra*, from *caler*, 'it would not matter.'

<sup>47</sup> *boca dejuna*, absolute 'fasting.'

<sup>48</sup> 'No lady was there there but wished.'

<sup>50</sup> 'For as the sun is without peer,' &c.

<sup>54</sup> *siei*, poss. adj. plur.

<sup>56</sup> *el* = *e la*.

<sup>57</sup> *sol, soler*, 'and whoever was wont to be most joyous remained,' &c.

noil fo vejaire que re vailla,  
 anz dis per nien si trebailla 60  
 tot' outra dona d'esser bella  
 lai on es cesta damaisella.  
 l'autrui beutat tein es effassa  
 li viva colors de sa fassa,  
 c'ades enlumena e creis. 65  
 anc de nulla re no si feis  
 deus cant el la formet tan genta ;  
 ades plaz mais et atalenta  
 a celz que la vezo ni l'auzon.  
 quan las donas sa beutat lauzon, 70  
 be podes saber bela es,  
 qu'en tot lo mon no n'a ges tres  
 en que las autras s'acordesson  
 que del tot lor beutat lauzesson.  
 anz dizon " mienz conoissem nos 75  
 beutat de dona no fatz vos :  
 vos autreus tenes per pagat  
 si dona es de bon agrat  
 e queus sone gent eus acueilla ;  
 mais qui la ve quan si despueilla, 80

<sup>59</sup> *vailla, valer*, 'there was no other face that was worth anything.'

<sup>60</sup> *si*, reflex.

<sup>63</sup> 'The living colour of her face obscured and effaced the beauty of others.' *Es* = 'and.'

<sup>66</sup> *feis, fenher*.

<sup>69</sup> *vezo, vezer*. *Ni*, 'and.'

<sup>71</sup> *podes*, 2 pers. 'You may be quite sure she is beautiful.'

<sup>76</sup> *no fatz vos*, 'than you do.'

<sup>77</sup> *autre eus*. *Pagat*, 'satisfied.'

<sup>80</sup> *ve, vezer*.

quan si colca o quan si leva,  
 ja no dira pois tanta reva,  
 si savis es, a las serventas ? ”  
 aissi so malas e dolentas  
 e volon baissar es estreiner 85  
 lo be que a dat nostre seiner  
 a cella que plus vol ni ama.  
 ges d’aizo Flamenca nos clama  
 ni no s’en deu per re clamar,  
 que leis no volon ges blasmar, 90  
 quar non i trobon lo per que,  
 e no so laisson per mai re,  
 car si tan ni quan n’i trobesson,  
 ja nous pesses que s’en laissenton.  
 Quant an manjat outra ves lavon, 95  
 mais tot atressi con s’estavon  
 remanon tuit e prendon vi,  
 car vezat era enaisi;  
 poissas levet hom las toaillas,  
 bels conseilliers ab granz ventailles 100  
 aportet hom davan cascu,  
 ques anc us no failli ad u :

<sup>83</sup> *si*, ‘if.’

<sup>84</sup> *so*, ‘are.’ *Malas e dolentas*. The nom. of the 1st decl. has the *s* of flexion.

<sup>85</sup> *es*, ‘and.’

<sup>87</sup> ‘To her whom He most regards and loves.’

<sup>88</sup> *se clamar*, refl. ‘complain.’

<sup>89</sup> *no per re*, a strong negative, *pas du tout*.

<sup>91</sup> *lo per que*, i.e. any reason for doing so.

<sup>92</sup> *per mai re*, cf. l. 89.

<sup>93</sup> *tan ni quan*, ‘much or little,’ i.e. nothing at all.

<sup>94</sup> *no vos penses*. *Se laissat*, ‘to trust in.’

<sup>95</sup> *autra ves*, *autrefois*.

<sup>97</sup> *prendon vi*, ‘took wine, for such was the custom.’

aquís poc quis vol acoutrar.  
 apres si levon li juglar ;  
 cascus se vol faire auzir. 105  
 adonc auziras retentir  
 cordas de manta tempradura.  
 qui saup novella violadura  
 ni canzo ni descort ni lais,  
 al plus que poc avan si trais. 110  
 l'us violal lais del cabrefoil,  
 e l'autre cel de Tintagoil ;  
 l'us cantet cel dels fins amanz  
 e l'autre cel que fes Ivans.  
 l'us menet arpa, l'autre viula, 115  
 l'us flautella, l'autre siula ;  
 l'us mena giga, l'autre rota,  
 l'us diz los motz e l'autrels nota ;  
 l'us estiva, l'autre fletella,  
 l'us musa, l'autre caramella ; 120  
 l'us mandura e l'autr' acorda  
 lo sauteri ab manicorda ;  
 l'us fai lo juec dels bavastelz,  
 l'autre jugava de coutelz ;  
 l'us vai per sol e l'autre tomba, 125  
 l'autre balet ab sa retomba ;  
 l'us passet sercle, l'autre sail :  
 negus a so mestier no fail.

<sup>108</sup> *saup*, *saber*.

<sup>110</sup> *poc*, *poder*. *Si trais*, 'approached,'

<sup>112</sup> *Tintagoil*, *i.e.* the cycle of King Arthur.

<sup>114</sup> *fes*, *faire*.

<sup>118</sup> *les nota*, 'marked time for them.'

<sup>127</sup> *sail*, *salhir*.

<sup>128</sup> *fail*, *falhir*.

X.—DOMNEJAIRE OF ARNAUT DE MAROILL.

(*Bartsch, Chr. Prov.*, p. 94.)

ARNAUT DE MAROILL was so called from a castle near Périgord. He was a man of obscure birth, but considerable natural talent. Being attracted by the art of singing, he made his way to the Court of Roger of Beziers. This nobleman was the husband of Adalasia, daughter of Raimon V., Count of Toulouse. To her the present love-letter is addressed. Its continued grace and liveliness represent the best period of Provençal poetry.

Domna, genser que no sai dir,  
 per que soven planh e sospir,  
 est vostr' amics bos e corals,  
 assatz podetz entendre cals,  
 mand' e tramet salutz a vos ; 5  
 mas a sos obs n'es cobeitos :  
 jamai salutz ni autre be  
 non aura, si de vos nol ve.  
 domna, loncs temps a qu'eu consir  
 cous disses o vos fezes dir 10  
 mon pensamen e mon coratje,  
 per mi meteis o per messatje ;  
 mas per messatge non aus ges,  
 tal paor ai c'ades nous pes ;

<sup>1</sup> *genser*, comparat. of *gens*.

<sup>3</sup> *est*, 'this.' He speaks in the third person, in order to conceal his identity.

<sup>6</sup> 'He is not desirous of your wealth.'

<sup>8</sup> *nol ve*, *no li ve* (*venir*), 'if it does not come to him from you.'

<sup>9</sup> *il y a longtemps depuis*, &c.

<sup>10</sup> 'How I should tell you or have you told,' &c.

<sup>12</sup> *mi meteis*, *moi-même*.

<sup>13</sup> *aus*, *auzar*.

<sup>14</sup> *no vos pes* (*pezar*).

ans o dissera eu meteis, 15  
 mas tan sui d'amor entrepreis  
 can remir la vostra beutat,  
 tot m'oblida cant m'ai pensat.  
 messatjeus tramet mout fizel,  
 breu sagelat de mon sagel; 20  
 no sai messatje tan cortes  
 ni que melhs celes totas res.  
 est conselh m'a donat amors  
 a cui deman tot jorn socors;  
 amors m'a comandat escrire 25  
 so quel boca non auza dire.  
 eu nous aus far esdig ni ganda  
 en so que amors me comanda.  
 er aujatz, domna, si vos plai,  
 so que mos breus vos guida lai. 30  
 corteza domn' e conoissen,  
 e de bon grat a tota gen,  
 apreza de totz benestars  
 en fatz, en ditz et en pensars,  
 la cortezi' e la beutatz 35  
 el gen parlars el bels solatz,  
 l'ensenhamens e la valors,  
 el gens cors el fresca colors,

<sup>16</sup> *entrepreis, entreprendre*, past part.

<sup>18</sup> 'All that I have thought escapes my memory.'

<sup>19</sup> *messatje vos*.

<sup>20</sup> *breu* (for *brev-s*, cf. Eng. brief). The usual name for this form of composition.

<sup>21</sup> *celes, celar*, imperf. subj.

<sup>26</sup> *so que la*.

<sup>27</sup> *nous, no vos*.

<sup>29</sup> *aujatz, auzir* (to hear), imperative.

<sup>33</sup> *apreza, aprendre*, past part.

<sup>36</sup> *el = e lo. Gen, adv*

li bel ris, l'esgart amoros,  
 e l'autri benestar de vos, 40  
 el bel fait el dig agradiu  
 mi fan la noit el jorn pensiu.  
 car non ai loc de vos vezer,  
 joi ni deport non posc aver ;  
 non posc aver joi ni deport, 45  
 peritz sui si non venc al port ;  
 quel loncs espers el loncs consirs  
 el trop velhars el pauc dormirs  
 el deziriers de vezer vos  
 me ten aissi lo cors aissos, 50  
 cen vetz prec deu la noit el jor  
 quem do mort o la vostr' amor.  
 domna, sim do vostr' amor deus,  
 cen tans sui vostre melhs que meus ;  
 car de vos sai, domna, quem ve 55  
 tot cant eu fas ni dic de be.  
 lo premier jorn qu'eu anc vos vi  
 m'intret el cor vostre amors si

<sup>39</sup> *li bel ris*, plural. *Ris* is indecl. and therefore does not lose the *s*.

<sup>42</sup> *fan*, *faire*.

<sup>43</sup> *loc*, 'opportunity.'

<sup>46</sup> *peritz*, *perir*, past part. 'I am undone.'

<sup>47</sup> *quel*, *que lo*, 'since,' &c.

<sup>50</sup> *me*, a kind of ethic dat., as commonly.

<sup>52</sup> *do*, from *dar*, pres. subj. Some persons of this tense are borrowed from *donar*.

<sup>54</sup> 'A hundred times am I yours more than my own.' *Melh s.*, literally 'better.'

<sup>55</sup> *ve*, *venir*.

<sup>57</sup> *anc*, 'ever.'

<sup>58</sup> *el cor*, *en lo cor*.

qu'ins en un foc m'aves assis,  
 c'anc no mermet, pos fon empris; 60  
 pos fon empris, pois non esteis,  
 de jorn en autre doubl' e creis.  
 e can me sui de vos lonhatz,  
 creis e dobra plus l'amistatz :  
 mas can se pot endevenir 65  
 qu'eu vos vei, domna, eus remir,  
 son aissi que mai res nom sen :  
 per que sai be qu'es falhimen  
 lo repropchiers c'om dire sol :  
 que olh no vezo, cors non dol. 70  
 lo cors mi dol, domna, per ver  
 can nous podon mei olh vezer ;  
 mas del vezer conselh noi sai :  
 pero mos cors qui remas lai  
 lo premier jorn que anc vos vi, 75  
 anc pois de vos no si parti ;  
 non si parti de vos un torn,  
 ab vos sojorna noit e jorn.  
 ab vos estai on qu'eu esteja,  
 la noit el jorn ab vos domneja. 80  
 per que m'endeve mantas vetz  
 que autr' afar pensar nom letz.

<sup>61</sup> *esteis, estenhir*, past part. 'to extinguish.'

<sup>66</sup> *eus, e vos*.

<sup>67</sup> *no me sen, sentir*.

<sup>68</sup> *qu'es*, &c., 'that the proverb is false.'

<sup>70</sup> *olh*, plural nom. *Vezo, vezer*.

<sup>74</sup> *remas* fr. *remaner*.

<sup>76</sup> *anc pois no*, 'never since was separated.'

<sup>79</sup> *on que*, 'just where,' or, 'where always.' *Esteja, estar*, pres. subj.



can cuit pensar en autras res,  
 de vos ai messatge cortes,  
 mon cor, qu'es lai vostr' ostaliers ; 85  
 me ven de vos sai messatgiers,  
 quem ditz em remembr' em retrai  
 vostre gen cors coinde e gai,  
 las vostras belas sauras cris,  
 el vostre fron plus blanc que lis, 90  
 los vostres olhs vairs e rizens,  
 el nas qu'es dreitz e be sezens,  
 la fassa fresca de colors,  
 blanca, vermelha plus que flors,  
 petita boca, blancas dens, 95  
 plus blancas qu'esmeratz argens,  
 menton e gola e peitrina  
 blanca com neus ni flors d'espina,  
 las vostras belas blancas mas,  
 els vostres detz grailes e plas, 100  
 e la vostra bela faisso  
 on non a res de mespreizo,  
 los vostres gaps plazens e bos,  
 el gen solatz el franc respos,  
 el bel semblan quem fetz al prim, 105  
 can s'esdevenc c' abdui nos vim.  
 can som remembral cors nim ditz,

<sup>83</sup> *cuit*, *cuidar*, pres. indic.

<sup>87</sup> *quem*, *que me*. *Em*, *e me*.

<sup>98</sup> *flors d'espina*, 'thorn-rose.'

<sup>100</sup> *els*, *e los*.

<sup>105</sup> *al prim*, 'at first.'

<sup>106</sup> *vim*, *vezet*.

<sup>107</sup> *so me remembra lo cors ni me ditz*.

adoncs remanc si esbaitz,  
 no sai on vauc ni on me venc ;  
 meravilh me car me sostenc, 110  
 quel cors me falh e la colors :  
 sim destrenh, domna, vostr' amors.  
 tot jorn sofre esta batalha,  
 mas la noit trac peyor trabalha ;  
 que can me sui anatz jazer, 115  
 e cuit alcun plazer aver,  
 adonc me torn em volv em vir,  
 pens e repens, e pois sospir.  
 e pois me levi en sezens,  
 apres retorni m'en jazens, 120  
 e colgui me sobrel bras destre,  
 e pois me vire el senestre,  
 descobre me soptozamen,  
 pois me recobre belamen.  
 e can me sui pro trebelhatz, 125  
 eu get defor abdos mos bratz  
 e tenc lo cor els olhs aclis,  
 mas jointas, debes lo pais,  
 on eu sai, domna, que vos es :  
 tot aisso fas c'auzir podes. 130

<sup>109</sup> *vauc*, *anar*.

<sup>110</sup> 'It astonishes me how I supported myself.'

<sup>112</sup> *si*, 'so.'

<sup>115</sup> 'Since when I am gone to rest.' *Anatz*, *anar*, past part.

<sup>116</sup> *cuit*, *cuidar*.

<sup>119</sup> *en sezens*, 'to sit,' lit. 'in sitting.'

<sup>121</sup> *colgui*, *colgur*. *Sobrel*, *sobre lo*.

<sup>122</sup> *vire*, a rather unusual form for the 1st pers. pres. indic.

<sup>128</sup> *mas jointas*; absolute, 'with clasped hands.'

<sup>130</sup> 'All this I do that you may hear.'

ai, bona domna benestans,  
 si veira ja est fis amans  
 a son viven lo jorn nil ser  
 que a celat o per lezer  
 vostre gen cors coind' e prezan 135  
 entre mos bras remir, baizan  
 olhs e boca tan doussamen  
 que sol un bais fassam de cen  
 et eu pel joi pasmar me lais!  
 er ai trop dig, mas no posc mais, 140  
 s'una vetz sola ai parlat  
 so quel cors a loncs temps pensat,  
 cant aisso dic, non posc plus dir;  
 mos olhs clauzens fas un sospir,  
 en sospiran vau endormitz; 145  
 adoncs s'en vai mos esperitz  
 tot dreitamen, domna, vas vos  
 de cui vezer es cobeitos.  
 tot enaissi com eu desir  
 la noit el jorn, can m'o consir, 150  
 a son talan ab vos domneja,  
 embrass' e baiza e maneja.  
 ab que dures aissi mos soms,  
 no vobri' esser reis ni coms.

<sup>132</sup> *veira, vezer*, fut. indic. 3rd per

<sup>133</sup> *a son viven*, 'in his life.' *Nil, ni lo*.

<sup>134</sup> 'secretly or openly.'

<sup>138</sup> *fassa, faire*, pres. subj.

<sup>139</sup> *pel, per* with article.

<sup>142</sup> *so que lo*.

<sup>145</sup> *vau, anar*.

<sup>153</sup> *ab que*, 'provided that.' *Dures, durar*, imperf. subj.

mai vobria jauzens dormir 155  
 que velhan deziran languir.  
 e Rodocesta ni Biblis,  
 Blancaflors ni Semiramis,  
 Tibes ni Leida ni Elena  
 ni Antígona ni Esmena 160  
 nil bel' Yseus ab lo pel bloi  
 non agro la meitat de joi  
 ni d'alegrier ab lor amis,  
 com eu ab vos, so m'es avis.  
 per vostr' amor fas un sospir, 165  
 e pois trebalh al resperir,  
 obre mos olhs soptozamen,  
 gart sai e lai tot belamen,  
 trobar vos cuit, domna, latz mei,  
 mas jes nous trop ni no vos vei; 170  
 mas clau mos olhs, torni ma chera.  
 mas mas jointas, d'aital manera  
 vezer si poiria dormir;  
 mas jes noi posc endevenir:  
 ans torn en eissa la batalha 175  
 d'amor que m'auci em trebalha.  
 domna, nous posc lo cente dir  
 de las penas ni del martir,

<sup>161</sup> *nil, ni la.* *Ab lo pel,* &c. 'of the fair skin.'

<sup>162</sup> *agro, aver.*

<sup>166</sup> *al resperir,* 'at awaking.'

<sup>169</sup> *latz mei,* 'by my side.'

<sup>173</sup> *poiria, poder.*

<sup>175</sup> *for, en la eissa batalha.*

<sup>175</sup> *lo cente,* 'the hundredth part.'

del pantais ni de la dolor  
 qu'eu trac, domna, per vostr' amor. 180  
 per vostr' amor totz vius aflam,  
 mas per merceus, domna, reclam  
 quem perdone, s'eu falh ni pec.  
 aujatz et entendetz est prec,  
 domna, la genser criatura 185  
 que anc formes el mon natura,  
 melhor que non posc dir ni sai,  
 plus bela que bels jorns de mai,  
 solelhs de mars, ombra d'estiu,  
 roza de mai, ploja d'abriu, 190  
 flors de beutat, miralhs d'amor,  
 claus de fin pretz, escrins d'onor,  
 mas de do, capdels de joven,  
 cims e razitz d'ensenhamen,  
 cambra de joi, locs de domnei, 195  
 domna, mas jointas, vos soplei :  
 prendes m'al vostre servidor,  
 e prometes me vostr' amor.  
 de plus nous prec ni nos cove,  
 mas tot si' en vostra merce. 200  
 e pos de me vos fas ligansa,  
 prometetz me vostr' esperansa.

181 'I am burnt alive.'

182 *merceus*, *merce vos*.

184 *est prec*, 'this prayer.'

193 *mas*, indecl. 'house,' 'abode.'

196 *soplei*, *soplejar*, 'I entreat.'

199 *cove*, *convenir*.

200 *sia*, *esser*, pres. subj.

201 *fas*, *faire*, 2nd pers. plur.

de l'esperans' aurai cofört,  
 mon bon esper tro a la mort ;  
 mai volh e bon esper morir 205  
 no volh dezesperatz languir.  
 domna, nous aus de plus prejar,  
 mas deus vos sal e deus vos gar ;  
 sius plai, rendetz me ma salut :  
 pos amors m'a per vos vencut, 210  
 vensaus per mi tot eissamens  
 amors que totas cauzas vens,  
 domna !

<sup>204</sup> *tro a*, jusqu'à.

<sup>205</sup> *e for en*.

<sup>209</sup> *sius*, si vos.

<sup>210</sup> *vencut*, *vencer*, past part.

<sup>211</sup> *vensaus*, *vensa vos*, pres. subj.

## XI.—CHANSON OF ALPHONZO II.

(Bartsch, *Chrest. Prov.*, p. 85.)

IN the earlier days of Provençal poetry, the art numbered men of the highest rank among its adherents. Such was Alphonzo II., King of Arragon, who lived towards the end of the twelfth century.

The poem is a chanson or love-song. The lines contain seven syllables each, and only two rhymes are used, namely, “*ors*” and “*atz.*”

Per mantas guizas m'es datz  
 jois e deportz e solatz ;  
 que per vergiers e per pratz  
 e per foillas e per flors,  
 e pel temps qu'es refrescatz 5  
 aug alegrar chantadors :  
 mas al meu chan neus ni glatz  
 nom notz ni m'ajuda estatz  
 ni res for deus et amors.  
 E pero ges nom desplatx 10  
 lo bels temps ni la clartatz  
 nil dous chans qu'aug pels plaissatz

<sup>3</sup> The beauties of spring were a favourite theme of the Troubadours.

<sup>5</sup> *pel temps*, *per lo temps*.

<sup>6</sup> *aug*, 'I hear.'

<sup>8</sup> *notz*, *nozer*, 3 s. pres. ind. *Estatz*, summer.

<sup>12</sup> *nil*, *ni lo*.

dels auzels ni la verdors ;  
 qu'aissim sui al joi lassatz  
 ab una de las meillors : 15  
 en leis es sens e beutatz,  
 per qu'eu li don tot quan fatz,  
 e jois e pretz et honors.

En trop ricas voluntatz  
 s'es mos cors ab joi mesclatz ; 20  
 mas no sai si s'es foudatz  
 o ardimens o paors  
 o grans sens amezuratz  
 o si s'es astre d'amors ;  
 qu'anc de l'ora qu'eu fui natz 25  
 mais nom destreis amistatz  
 nim senti mals ni dolors.

Tant mi destreing sa bontatz,  
 sa proez' e sa beutatz,  
 qu'eu n'am mais sofrir en patz 30  
 penas e dans e dolors,  
 que d'autra jauzens amatz  
 grans bes faitz e grans socors :  
 sos homs plevitz e juratz  
 serai ades, s'a leis platz, 35  
 davan totz autres seignors.

Quan mi membra dels comjatz  
 que pris de leis totz forsatz,  
 alegres sui et iratz ;

<sup>25</sup> *natz*, *naïsser*, past part. 'was born.'

<sup>26</sup> *destreis*, *destrenher*.

<sup>35</sup> *a leis*, 'to her.'

<sup>38</sup> *pris*, *prendre*, perf. indic. 1 s.



*Alphonzo II.*

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qu'ab sospirs mesclatz de plors  
me dis "bels amics, tornatz  
per merce vas me de cors."  
per qu'eu tornarai viatz  
vas leis, quar autr' embaissatz  
nom es deleitz ni sabors.

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## XII.—SERVENTES OF BERTRAN DE BORN.

(*Bartsch, Chrest. Prov.*, p. 118; *A. Stimming, Bertran de Born, sein Leben und seine Werke*, p. 178.)

BERTRAN DE BORN was a knight of Autafort, near Périgord. His is one of the most interesting personalities among the many Troubadours of Provence. He was heart and soul a man of war, and is called by Sismondi the Provençal Tyrtæus. The friend and companion of Henry and Richard, sons of Henry II. of England, he was in no slight degree the cause of the fierce family dissensions which embittered the closing years of that monarch. He is especially celebrated for his *Serventes*. The present one is a curious example of feudalistic feeling. He wrote in the twelfth century.

Mout me plai quan vei dolenta  
 la malvada gent manenta  
 qu'ab paratge mou contenta ;  
 em plai quan los vei desfar  
 de jorn en jorn, vint o trenta,  
 els trop nutz ses vestimenta,  
 e van lor pan acaptar ;  
 e s'eu ment, m'amiam menta.

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Vilas a costum de troja  
 que de gent viure s'enoja ;  
 e quan en gran ricor poja,

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<sup>7</sup> *van* from *anar*.

<sup>8</sup> 'And if I lie, may my mistress break her word to me.'

<sup>11</sup> *poja en*, 'rise to great riches.'

l'avers lo fai follejar :  
 per quel deu hom la tremoja  
 todas sazons tener voja,  
 el deu del seu despensar 15  
 e far sofrir vent e ploja.

Qui son vilan ben non serma,  
 en deslejaltat lo ferma ;  
 per qu'es fols qui non l'amerma  
 quan lo ve sobrepojar : 20  
 quar vilas, pos si conferma  
 e'n tan ferm loc si referma,  
 de maleza non a par,  
 que tot quan consec aderma.

Ja vilan no deu hom planher, 25  
 sil ve bratz o camba franher  
 ni ren de sos ops sofranher,  
 quar vilan, si deus m'ampar,  
 a cel que plus li pot tanher,  
 per planher ni per complanher 30  
 nuls hom nol deu ajudar,  
 enans deu lo fait refranher.

Rassa, vilana tafura,  
 plena d'enjan e d'uzura,  
 d'orgoill e de desmezura, 35  
 lor faitz non pot hom durar,

<sup>14</sup> *voja*, fem. of *voit-z*, 'empty.'

<sup>15</sup> *e li*. The dative supplies the subject of *sofrir* in the next line.

<sup>24</sup> *consec*, *consegre*.

<sup>26</sup> *camba*, 'a leg.' Stimming omits this word in his vocabulary.

<sup>29</sup> *a cel que*, 'to that which.'

<sup>31</sup> *nol*. The article is pleonastic.

<sup>33</sup> *Rassa*, probably Godfrey of Brittany.

quar deu geton a non cura  
e lejaltat e dreitura,  
Adam cujon contrafar :  
deus lor don mal' aventura !

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<sup>36</sup> an anacoluthon.

<sup>39</sup> 'They desire to imitate Adam,' *i.e.* disregard the purpose of God.

<sup>40</sup> *don*, subj. of *dar*.

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## GLOSSARY.

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**A, ad, az**, prep., to, with, near,  
by, in, for, according to ; **a so**  
que, in order that  
**ab, ap**, prep., with, by ; **ab que**,  
**ab aco que**, provided that,  
if only  
**abdos, abdui**, *v. ambedui*  
**abis**, abyss  
**ablatiu-s**, ablative  
**abrassar**, to embrace  
**abril-s, abriu-s**, April  
**acampar**, to drive away  
**acaptar**, to buy  
**accen-s**, accent  
**accusatiu-s**, accusative  
**acire** *v. assire*  
**aclinamen-s**, submission  
**acli-s**, enclined, prone  
**aco, aquo**, this, that  
**acoillir, acolhir, acullir**, to  
receive, overtake, assail  
**acordadamen-s**, accord, agree-  
ment  
**acordar, accordar**, to agree ;  
reflex. to harmonise with  
**acoutrar**, to lean upon  
**aculhir** *v. acoillir*  
**adermar**, to destroy  
**ades, addes**, immediately, forth-  
with, always  
**adjectiu-s**, adjective  
**adobar**, to arm, prepare, pacify  
**adonc, adoncs**, then  
**adverbe, adverb**  
**aers** *v. aire*  
**affaire, afar-s, affaire**, affair,  
deed, conduct  
**aflamar**, to set on fire ; intr., to  
be on fire  
**afortidamens**, courageously,  
well, very

**agensar**, to please  
**agradar**, to please  
**agradu-s**, agreeable, pleasing  
**agrat-z**, wish, liking, pleasure  
**ai, ay, hai**, interj.  
**aicel, acel, aissel** (*v. gram.*),  
this  
**aici** *v. aissi*  
**aici**, here  
**aidar** *v. ajudar*  
**aigentina, englantina**, wild  
rose  
**aire, aers**, air ; manner, way ;  
dwelling  
**aissi, ayssi**, so ; **aissi que**, so  
that  
**aisso, aiso, aizo** (*v. gram.*),  
this, that  
**aissos**, anxious, uneasy  
**aital-s**, such, some  
**aitan, aitant**, so much, so  
many ; **d'aitan**, in so far as ;  
**cent aitans**, a hundred times  
as much  
**aizinar**, reflex., to dwell  
**aizi-s**, easy, yielding  
**ajuda**, help  
**ajudar, aidar**, to help  
**alavia**, adv., far, away  
**alba**, dawn  
**albires, albir**, meaning, opin-  
ion, judgment  
**alcu-s, alqu-s**, any ; plur.,  
some, several  
**alegramens**, gaily, joyously  
**alegrar**, to be gay, rejoice  
**alegre-s**, gay, joyful  
**alegrier-s**, joyousness  
**alqu-s** *v. alcu-s*  
**alt-** *v. aut-*  
**amaire**, lover

**aman-s**, lover  
**amar**, to love  
**amassamen-s**, mass, heap, collection  
**ambedui, amdui, abdui**, (*v. gram.*), both  
**amenar**, to bring, summon.  
**amermar**, to lessen  
**amezurat-z**, cautious, circumspect  
**amic-s, amic-x, ami-s**, friend, lover  
**amiga, amia**, mistress, love  
**amistat-z**, friendship, love  
**amoros**, amorous, loving  
**amor-s**, love  
**amparar**, to protect, prevent  
**anar**, to go; **s'en anar**, to go away  
**anc, hanc**, ever; (*with neg.*) never  
**ancar, encar, ancars, enquar, enguera**, still, yet; although  
**angel-s**, angel  
**an-s, an-z**, year  
**ans, anz**, before; **ans que**, before that; but  
**antos, ontos**, modest, ashamed  
**antre v. entre**  
**aondar**, to abound, help, suffice  
**aparelhar, aparelhar**, to arrange, prepare, provide  
**apelar, appellar, appellar**, to name, call, ask, accuse; reflex. to complain  
**aperceubudamens**, intelligently  
**aportar**, to bring  
**aprendre, apendre**, to hear, teach; past part. **apris, apres**, informed, well informed  
**apres**, after  
**aquel** (*v. gram.*), this, that  
**aquest** (*v. gram.*), this  
**aqui**, there, here; there where; therein; after  
**ar, aras, era**, how  
**arcivesque-s**, archbishop  
**ardimen-s**, boldness, assurance

**ardre** (*v. list*), to burn, set no fire; pres. part. **arden**, ablaze  
**argen-s**, silver, money  
**armar**, to arm  
**arpa**, harp  
**arribar**, to arrive  
**artifici-s**, artifice, trick  
**art-z**, art, artifice  
**as- cf. ass-, az-**  
**aspre-s**, rough, harsh  
**assaciamen-s**, satiety  
**assajar, assagar, assajar**, to try, seek  
**assatjar**, to surprise  
**assatz**, enough, much  
**assetjamen-s**, beleaguering  
**assire, asire, acire** (*v. list*), to seat, place, put, lay siege to  
**astre-s**, star, destiny, luck  
**atainar**, to delay, hinder  
**atalentar, atalantar**, to please  
**atressi**, the same, so, like  
**aucire, aussir, ausire, auzir**, (*v. list*), to kill, slay  
**auctor-s**, author, authority, witness  
**aurelha**, ear  
**aurillos**, sprightly  
**aur-s**, gold  
**aus- v. auz-**  
**ausire v. aucire**  
**autramens**, otherwise  
**autre, altre, outra**, other.  
**autrui**, of another, another's  
**auzar, ausar**, to dare  
**auzel-s, ausel-s**, bird  
**auzir, ausir, audir, aurir**, (*v. list*), to hear  
**auzir v. aucire**  
**avan, avant**, before  
**aven-s**, advent  
**aventura**, adventure, chance, luck; **mala aventura**, misfortune  
**aventuramen-s**, adventure  
**aver**, to have, hold; forms past tenses with the participle, and future with infinitive or infinitive and **a**; **i a**, or **a** simply, there is, Fr. *il y a*

**avilheje**, foulness, avarice, weakness

**avinen-s**, appropriate, pleasing

**avi-s**, ancestor

**avi-s**, meaning; **es avis**, it appears

**Bachalar**, **bachallier**, bachelor, young man

**bais**, kiss

**baissar**, to lower, abase

**baizar**, **baisar**, to kiss

**balar**, **ballar**, to dance

**banc-s**, bench

**bar**, **baro-s**, lord, baron

**bastimen-s**, building, house

**batalha**, **batailla**, battle, combat

**bateire**, beater

**bavastel-s**, marionette

**be**, **ben**, well, much, very

**belamen**, softly

**bellazers**, comp. of **bel-s**

**bel-s**, **bel-z**, beautiful, dear, agreeable

**beltat-z**, *v.* **beutat-z**

**benestan-s**, fitting, neat, pleasing

**benestar-s**, fittingness, bien-être

**be-s**, **ben-s**, goods, riches, fortune, virtue

**beure** (*v. list*), to drink

**beutat-z**, **beltat-z**, beauty

**beveire**, drinker

**blanc-s**, white

**blasmar**, to blame; reflex., to complain

**blasmar**, to faint

**bloi-s**, blond

**bocca**, **boca**, mouth

**bontat-z**, goodness

**borges**, **borgues**, bourgeois, civic

**bo-s**, **bon-s**, **buon-s**, good, agreeable

**boscatge**, boscage

**bras**, **bratz**, arm

**breu-s**, letter

**Caber** (*v. list*), to be contained, dwell, abide

**cabrefoil-s**, honeysuckle

**cada**, **quada**, each; **pauc**

**cada pauc**, little by little

**cadaus**, each one

**cais**, **quais**, almost, nearly

**caler**, **chaler** (*v. list*), *impers.*, it is necessary, fitting; it matters

**cal-s** *v.* **qual-s**

**camba**, leg, limb.

**cambra**, chamber, room

**cami-s**, road, way

**can-s**, **chan-s**, song, ode, poem

**cansoneta**, **ch-**, chansonette

**canso-s**, **chanso-s**, chanson, song, canzone

**cant** *v.* **quan**

**cantaire**, **chantaire**, *obl.*

**chantador**, singer

**cantar**, **chantar**, to sing

**capdel-s**, head, chief, master

**cap-s**, head, chief, end

**captenensa**, manner, bearing

**car**, **quar**, for, because, since, why

**cara**, **chera**, face, mien

**caramellar**, to play the pipes

**caresme**, fast, Lent

**carnal-s**, carnal, of flesh

**carn-s**, meat, flesh

**cas**, fall, manner

**cascu-s**, **chascu-s**, **cascun-s**, each

**cauza**, **causa**, **coza**, reason, thing, matter

**cauzir**, **chausir**, to see, choose

**cavallier-s**, cavalier, knight

**celar**, **selar**, to hide; **a celat**, in hiding

**cel-s**, **sel-s**, heaven

**celui**, this, that

**cen**, **sen**, hundred; plur., **cens**

**cente-s**, the hundredth part

**certa-s**, certain, sincere

**cessalmens**, as tribute

**cest**, **sest** (*v. gram.*), this

**ch-** cf. **c-**

**chera** *v.* **cara**

**cim-s**, **sim-s**, summit

- cinc, cinq**, five  
**clamar**, to call, lament  
**clar-s**, clear, true  
**clartat-z**, brightness, light  
**claire** (*v. list*), to close, end  
**clau-s**, key  
**clerc-s, clerque-s**, clerk (in orders)  
**cluzel-s**, grotto  
**co** *v. com*  
**co-** cf. **con-**  
**ço** *v. so*  
**cobeitos**, covetous, avaricious  
**cobramen-s**, acquiring, acquisition  
**cobrir, cubrir**, to cover, hide  
**coch-** *v. coit-*  
**coindamen**, graciously  
**coinde-s**, fem. **conja**, pleasing, pretty, amiable  
**coissi-s**, cushion  
**coita, cocha**, need ; **c. de fam**, famine  
**colcar, colgar**, to lie down, rest  
**color-s**, colour, complexion  
**colpa**, fault  
**com, cum, con, co, quo**, as, how, when, since, as if  
**comandamen-s**, commandment  
**comandar**, to command, recommend  
**combatre**, to fight, contend  
**comensamen-s**, beginning  
**comjat-z**, leave, permission, discharge  
**companhia**, company, society  
**companh-s, companho-s**, companion  
**complanher**, to mourn, bewail  
**coms**, obl. **comte**, count  
**comtar, contar**, to count, recount  
**comunalmen**, in common, together  
**comu-s, comun-s**, common  
**confermar**, to confirm, establish  
**confort-z, cofort-z**, comfort, confidence  
**conjunctio-s**, conjunction  
**connoisser** (*v. list*), to recognise, learn ; reflex., to be aware of, discover  
**conortar**, to encourage, console  
**conqueremen-s**, conquest  
**conquerre, conquerir**, to conquer, win  
**consegre**, to reach  
**conseillier-s**, cushion  
**conselh-s, conseil-s**, counsel, design  
**conselhar, consellar**, to counsel, devise  
**consentire**, willing  
**consiramen-s**, care  
**consirar, cossirar**, to consider, dream, think  
**consire, consire-s**, dream, thought  
**consirier-s**, dream, care, anxiety  
**consir-s = consire**  
**conten-s**, content  
**contenta**, dispute, strife  
**continuamens**, further  
**contra**, against, towards  
**contradisamen-s**, contradiction  
**contrapointamens, contraponchamens**, counterpoint  
**convenir, covenir**, *impers.*, it is necessary, it is fitting  
**coral-s**, cordial  
**coratge, coratje**, courage, heart  
**corda**, cord, chord, note  
**cors, corps**, body  
**cortes**, courteous, gallant  
**cortezia, cortesia**, courtesy, gallantry  
**coss-** cf. **cons-**  
**costum-s**, custom, manner  
**cous = co vos**  
**coutel-s, coutel-z**, knife  
**cov-** cf. **conv-**  
**creatura, criatura**, creature, thing created  
**creisser** (*v. list*), to increase, arrive



cremetar-s, fear  
 crestiandat-z, Christianity  
 crestia-s, christian-s, Christian  
 crezer, creder, creer (*v. list*),  
 to believe; crezen, a believer  
 cri-s, hair  
 Crist, Christ, Critz, Christ  
 crotz, cros, cross  
 crudel-s, cruzel-s, cruel  
 cubrir *v. cobrir*  
 cuidar, cudar, cujar, to be-  
 lieve, think  
 cum *v. com*  
 cura, care, anxiety; non-cura,  
 absence of care, carelessness

Da *v. de*  
 damaisella, damizela, mai-  
 den, young lady  
 dampnatge, damnatge,  
 damage, loss  
 dançar *v. dansar*  
 dar-s, loss, damage  
 dan-s, dansa, dance  
 dansar, dançar, to dance  
 dar (*v. list*), to give  
 datiu-s, dative  
 davan, davant, before, rather  
 than  
 de, da, prep., of, on account of,  
 since, between, in, during;  
 than (after a comparative)  
 decebemen-s, error, mistake  
 dedins, within, in, inside  
 defor, defora, without, outside  
 dejunar, to fast  
 delechamen-s, delight  
 deleit-z, delight, pleasure, joy  
 demamen-s, tenth  
 demandar, to ask  
 denier-s, money  
 den-s, tooth  
 departimen-s, separation  
 deportar, to divert, delight  
 deport-z, diversion, joy  
 derivatiu-s, derivative  
 des- cf. dez-  
 deschauzimen-s, incivility.  
 rudeness

descobrir, to reveal  
 descofimen-s, discomfiture,  
 rout  
 descort-z, discord; a poetical  
 form  
 desfaire, desfar, to destroy  
 deslejaltat-z, disloyalty  
 desliuramen-s, deliverance  
 desmezura, excess, presumption  
 desplazer, desplaser, to  
 displease, annoy  
 despueillar, to despoil, strip  
 destorbamen-s, disorder, dis-  
 pute  
 destorbar, to disturb, trouble  
 destorbelhar, *idem*  
 destre, right  
 destrenher, destreigner, to  
 bind, force, press  
 destrier-s, led-horse  
 destruimen-s, destruction  
 desus, dessus, above  
 det-z, finger  
 deu-s, dieu-s, God  
 dever (*v. list*), ought; it is  
 fitting, necessary  
 debes, davas, towards, near  
 dezavinen-s, unfitting, un-  
 pleasing  
 dezesperar, to despair, lose hope  
 dezirar, to desire  
 dezire-s, dezir-s, desire  
 dezirier-s, desire; thing de-  
 sired  
 dia, dya, di-s, day  
 diaspre-s, precious stuff  
 dictat-z, composition, poem  
 dig-z *v. dit-z*  
 dire, dir (*v. list*), to say, speak  
 dit-z, dig-z, dich, word, dis-  
 course  
 doblar, to double; to be  
 doubled  
 doler (*v. list*), to grieve, ill-treat;  
 refl., to be grieved; pres. part.,  
 wretched, miserable  
 dolor-s, grief  
 domna, dompna, dona, lady  
 domnei-s, dompnei-s, gal-  
 lantry, love

**domnejjar**, to be gallant, to pay court

**dompnedeu-s**, the Lord God

**don, dont**, gen. of rel. pronoun ; of whom, of which, whence, further

**dona v. domna**

**donar**, to give, strike

**donc, doncs**, then

**donzella**, demoiselle, maiden

**donzel-s**, youth

**doptamen-s**, doubt

**dormilhos**, sleeper

**dormir**, to sleep

**do-s, don-s**, gift, present

**dosset-z**, sweet

**dotze**, twelve

**dotze-s**, twelfth

**dous, dols**, sweet, beloved

**doussamen**, sweetly

**dreitamen**, right

**dreitura, dreytura**, right

**dreit-z, dreg-s**, right, just, true ; subs., right, justice

**durar**, to last, endure

**E, he, et, es**, and, also ; both . . . and

**e v. en**

**efachamen-s**, illusion

**effassar**, to efface

**eis, eus**, self, same

**eissamen, eissamens**, in the same way, alike

**eissausamen-s**, advantage

**eissir, eisir** (*v. list*), to go out, escape

**el** = **en** with the article

**el, elh, ell, he, it** (*v. gram.*)

**elluzio-s**, illusion

**els** = **e** or **en** with article

**embaissat-z**, message, messenger

**emblar**, to steal, abduct

**embrassar**, to embrace

**empejuramen-s**, deterioration

**empeiraire**, emperor

**emperi-s**, empire

**emprendre, empenre** (*v. list*), to begin, take, seize

**en, e, em, in, on, between,** towards

**en, ent, ne** = Fr. *en*, It. *ne*

**en, n**, sir, lord

**enaissi, enaisi**, so

**enamoramen-s**, love

**enans**, before, first, rather, but

**encorrer**, to attack

**endevenir**, to come, arrive, happen

**endormir**, to sleep

**enfantamen-s**, infancy

**enfantar**, to bear children

**infanti-s**, infantine

**enferir**, to strike

**engalmens**, equally

**enganar**, to deceive

**engan-s**, deceit, fraud

**engenramen-s**, generation

**enguen-s**, ungent

**enja- v. enga-**

**enluminar, illuminar**, to illuminate

**enoi, enueitz**, care, ennui

**enojar**, to sadden, bore

**ensems**, together

**ensenha**, mark, instruction

**ensenhamen-s**, instruction, erudition

**ensugar**, to wipe, dry

**enteiradamens**, entirely

**entendre**, to listen, understand, have in view ; with **en**, to love

**entonar**, to intone

**entrada**, beginning

**entre, antre**, between, among

**entrecapiadamens**, mutually

**entrecaussamen-s**, dispute

**entreprendre**, to seize

**enueit-z v. enoi**

**enveja**, envy, desire

**enviro, environ**, around, all round

**er, era, v. ar**

**esbair**, to astonish

**escarnire**, derider, quiz

**escremire**, fencer

**escriu-s**, casket

**escriure, escrire** (*v. list*), to write

**escudier-s**, esquire  
**escuramens**, obscurely  
**esdig-z**, retraction, forfeit  
**esgardar**, to regard, consider  
**esgart-z**, regard  
**esmerar**, to purify  
**esperansa**, hope  
**esperar**, to hope, sustain  
**esperit-z**, spirit, soul  
**esper-s**, hope  
**espiga**, ear of corn  
**espina**, thorn  
**espos**, spouse  
**esquiu-s**, wild, rough, harsh  
**esser, estre**, to be; is used to express the passive, and the past and future tenses of reflex. and intrans. verbs; **e** with **a** and infin., it is fitting, one must

**est, es** (*v. gram.*), this

**establimen-s**, establishment, basis

**estar**; to be, live, remain, go

**estatge-s, estatje-s**, place, dwelling

**estat-z**, summer

**estela**, star

**estenh-er, estendre** (*v. list*), to extinguish, go out, decrease

**estiu-s**, summer

**estivar**, to play the bagpipes

**estoria**, history

**estraise**, to draw away, free

**estranh-s**, strange, uncouth

**estre** *v. esser*

**estreiner** *v. estrenher*

**estrenher, estreiner** (*v. list*), to put out, quench, close up

**esvazimen-s**, attack, courage

**eu, ieu, heu** (*v. gram.*), pron., I

**ey-** *v. ei-*

**eya**, interj., expressing joy

**Failh-, faill-**, *v. falh-*

**faire, far** (*v. list*), to do, perform, show, make, get done (with infin.); it is fitting, one ought; reflex., to pretend, bespeak

**faiso, faisso**, face, manner, bearing

**fait-z, fat-z, fach-s, fag-z**, deed, thing

**falhensa, faillensa**, fault, want, **ses**, without fail

**falhimen-s**, fault, wrong

**falhir, faillir, failhir**, to fail, be wanting, commit a fault

**fam-s**, hunger

**fassa, facia**, face

**fat-z** *v. fait-z*

**faula**, fable, tale

**femini-s**, feminine

**femna**, woman, wife

**fenestra**, window

**fenestrel-s**, window

**fenheire**, hypocrite

**fenhemen-s**, fiction

**fenher** (*v. list*), to feign, imagine

**fenir, finir**, to end, accomplish, die

**ferire**, striker

**fermar**, to strengthen, fortify

**ferm-s**, firm, fast

**fer-s, fier-s**, wild, savage, cruel, proud

**figura**, face, manner

**filha, filla, filia**, daughter

**filh-s, fill-s, fil-s**, son

**fi-s, fin-s**, end, peace, accord

**fi-s, fin-s**, fine, pure, faithful, true

**fizel-s**, faithful, true

**flama**, flame

**flautellar**, to play the flute

**flestellar**, to play the pipes

**florir, flurir**, to flower, bloom; past part., in flower

**flor-s**, flower, bloom

**foc-s, foc-x**, fire

**foill-** *v. folh-*

**folejar, follejar**, to play the fool

**folha, foilla, fuelha**, leaf, foliage

**fol-s**, foolish

**fondar**, to found, ground

**fon-s, font-z**, fountain, spring

**foras, for**, without, outside

**formar**, to form, create, paint  
**forsar**, to force, compel  
**fort-z**, strong, stout, difficult  
**franc-s**, **franc-x**, frank, free,  
 noble  
**franher**, **fraigner** (*v. list*), to  
 break  
**fresc-s**, fresh  
**fron-s**, forehead, face  
**frucha**, fruit  
**fruit-z**, **frug-z**, fruit  
**fugir** (*v. list*), to flee

**Gaire**, **gaires**, much, very ;  
 with neg., not at all, nothing

**gai-s**, **gay-s**, gay, joyous,  
 happy

**gajan-s**, giant

**ganda**, escape

**gap-s**, joke, raillery, pleasantry

**garar**, to guard, keep, regard

**gardar**, **guardar**, to keep,  
 preserve, guard, guarantee

**garir**, **guarir**, **guerir**, to heal,  
 preserve

**gay- v. gai-**

**gazanhar**, to win, obtain

**genitiu-s**, genitive

**genologia**, genealogy

**gen-s**, **gen-z**, **gent-s**, people,  
 nation, men

**gen-s**, **jen-s**; adv., **gen**, **gent**;  
 compar., **genser**, **gencer**,

gentle, sweet, beautiful, good

**gentet**, prettily, nicely

**ges**, **gens**, **jes**, not, not at  
 all

**gesta**, history, story, manner

**getar**, **gitar**, to cast, push,  
 drive

**giga**, gigue (musical instrument)

**gilos**, **jelos**, jealous

**ginhozamens**, ingeniously

**ginolho-s**, knee

**gitar v. getar**

**glatz**, ice

**gleiza**, **glieiza**, church

**glorios**, glorious

**gola**, gullet, gluttony

**gouvernaire**, guide, pilot

**governamen-s**, government,  
 direction

**graile-s**, neat, svelte

**gramatica**, grammar

**granar**, to produce, yield  
 fruit.

**gran-s** (fem. **granda**), great,  
 large

**grat-z**, grace, will, wish

**grazimen-s**, thanks

**greu-s**, **griau-s**; adv., **greu**,  
 hard, difficult

**gronire**, grumbler

**gua- v. ga-**

**guerra**, war

**guidar**, **guizar**, to guide

**guiren-s**, **gueren-s**, guarantee

**guisamen-s**, manner

**guiza**, **guisa**, manner, method,  
 measure

**H- v. a-, e-, i-, o-, u-**

**I, y, hy**, there, therein (Fr. *y*)

**il**, **ilh**, **ill**, *v. el*

**in v. en**

**ins**, **inz**, inside, within

**intaizi-s**, immaculate

**interjectio-s**, interjection

**intrar**, **entrar**, to enter, begin

**irat-z**, angry, sad

**irritar**, to irritate

**Ja**, already, henceforth, ever ;  
 with a neg., certainly not ;  
 although

**jamai**, **jamais**, ever ; with a  
 neg., never

**jauzir**, **gauzir**, to enjoy, rejoice

**jazer**, **jacer**, **jasser**, to lie, lie  
 down

**jejunar**, to fast

**jelos v. gilos**

**joc-s**, **joc-x**, game, joy

**jogar**, **jugar**, to play at, be  
 amused

**joglar-s**, **juglar-s**, **jongleur**

**joi-s**, **joy-s**, joy, delight

joja, joy  
 jojos, joyous, gay  
 jonher, junher, to join, assail  
 jorn-s, day  
 jos, jotz, under, below  
 joven-s, youth  
 jove-s, young  
 ju- cf. jo-  
 juec-s *v.* joc-s  
 jugos *v.* jojos  
 jurar, to swear  
 jusqua, until  
 just-s, just  
 jutjar, jutgar, to judge, condemn  
 Juzeu-s, Juzieu-s, Jew  
 juzizi, judgment

**K-** *v.* c-  
**ki** *v.* qui

Labor-s, labour, tillage  
 lai, lay, la, there, therein  
 lais, lay, song  
 laisser, to let, allow, leave, cease; **se laisser en**, to have confidence in  
 ana, wool  
 languir, to languish, pine  
 larc-s, large, liberal; **larc**, adv., at ease  
 largamen, liberally, freely  
 lassar, to tire, weary; reflex. to be weary  
 lati-s, Latin  
 lat-z, large  
 latz, las, side; prep., at the side of, near  
 laus, lau, praise  
 lauzar, lausar, to praise, approve  
 lauzengamen-s, calumny, slander  
 lauzengier-s, slanderer, back-biter  
 lavar, to wash  
 lectoari, electuary  
 lei-s, ley-s, law, faith, Scriptures  
 lejalmens, loyally

lejal-s, loyal, faithful, true  
 lejaltat-z, loyalty  
 len, far  
 lengua, lenga, language, speech  
 letra, letter, book  
 letz (*v.* list), impers., it is allowed  
 leugier-s, light, volatile  
 leu-s, lieu-s, light, easy  
 levar, to raise, take away, go away  
 lezer-s, leisure  
 ligansa, homage  
 lis, lily  
 lo, la, def. article (*v.* gram.)  
 loc-s, loc-x, place, dwelling, opportunity  
 Lodoic-s, Louis  
 loinda-s, distant, far  
 lonc-s, long-s, long  
 londa-s *v.* loinda-s  
 lonhar, to remove, take away  
 lor, poss. adj., their  
 lum-s, light  
 luzir, to shine, glitter

**Maestre** *v.* **maistre**  
 main-s, manh-s, many, several  
 maire, maire-s, mother  
 mai-s, may-s, May  
 mais, mai, more, further, but, at most; **no mais, ja mais**  
**no**, never  
 maistre, maestre, master  
 majer, maer, greater; subs., ancestor  
 malamen, wickedly, cruelly  
 maleza, wickedness, spitefulness  
 mal-s, bad, wicked, evil; subs., evil, misfortune; **mal**, adv., ill, little  
 malvat-z, bad, wicked  
 mandar, to command, send, send for  
 mandil-s, serviette  
 mandurar, to play the lute  
 maneira, manera, maniera, manner, way, custom

**manejar**, to soothe, caress  
**maner** (*v. list*), to dwell  
**manh-s** *v. main-s*  
**manicorda**, monochord  
**manjar, mangar**, to eat; subs.  
     eating  
**mantel-s**, mantle  
**maridamen-s**, marriage  
**marina**, sea, sea-coast  
**mari-s**, of the sea, marine  
**mar-s**, sea  
**martire, martir**, martyrdom  
**martz, mars**, March  
**mas, ma, mes**, but; with neg.,  
     only; since, when, besides  
**ma-s**, hand  
**masculi-s**, masculine  
**may- v. mai-**  
**medecina, mezina**, medicine,  
     healing  
**medeis v. mezeis**  
**meils v. melhs**  
**meins, menhs**, less; **al**  
     **menhs**, at least; **mens es**,  
     there is wanting  
**melher, meiller**, better  
**melhs, meills, milhs**, more,  
     further, better  
**membrar**, recall, bear in  
     mind  
**menar**, to bring, conduct  
**menhs v. meins**  
**menre**, less, smaller, younger  
**mentir**, to lie  
**mento-s, chin**  
**meravilhar, meravelhar,**  
     **meraveillar**, to marvel,  
     wonder  
**mercat-z**, price, market  
**merce-s**, mercy, grace, pity  
**mermar**, to diminish, deprive,  
     decrease  
**mes**, month  
**mesclar**, to mix, mingle, em-  
     broil  
**mespreizo-s**, blame  
**messa**, mass  
**messatge-s, messatje-s,**  
     message, messenger  
**messatgier-s**, messenger

**mestier-s**, business, duty  
     *métier*  
**meteis v. mezeis**  
**metge-s**, physician, doctor  
**metre** (*v. list*), to put, place,  
     bring, make  
**meu-s, mieu-s**, poss. adj., my  
**mezeis, meteis, medeis,**  
     same, self  
**mil**, thousand  
**milier-s**, a thousand  
**miralh-s**, mirror  
**mirar**, to regard, look at;  
     *reflex.*, to admire one's self  
**mitigar**, to soften, mitigate  
**moill- v. molh-**  
**molhar, moillar**, to moisten  
**molher, moiller**, wife, spouse  
**molt-z v. moutz**  
**mon-s, mond**, world  
**morir** (*v. list*), to die, slay  
**mort-z**, death  
**mort-z**, dead  
**mostier-s**, monastery  
**mostrar**, to show, prove  
**mot-z**, word, words (of a song)  
**mout-z, molt-z**, many; **molt,**  
     *adv.*, much, very  
**mover** (*v. list*), to move, begin,  
     rouse, come, go  
**musar**, to play the bagpipes  
**mut-z**, fem. **muda**, mute

**Nafrar**, to wound  
**naissensa, nayssensa**, birth  
**naisser** (*v. list*), to be born  
**nas**, nose  
**natura**, nature  
**nau-s**, ship  
**navejamen-s**, ship  
**ne v. en**  
**ne v. ni**  
**nebot v. nep-s**  
**negu-s, negun-s, degu-s, nen-**  
     **gu-s, dengu-s**, anyone, no one  
**neis, neus, ne ges**, very, still,  
     so  
**neisu-s**, no one  
**nep-s**, obl. **nebot**, nephew  
**neu-s, nieu-s**, snow

**neutri-s**, neither  
**ni, ny, ne**, neither, nor, and not  
**nien-s, neen-s**, nothing, nothing at all; **per nient**, in vain  
**niva**, cloud  
**no, non**, no, not; **no . . . que**, only; used pleonastically after a comparative  
**nobleza, noblessa**, nobility  
**noi = no i**  
**noirim-s**, food  
**noirissa**, nurse  
**noitz**, night  
**nol = no lo, la, li**  
**nols = no los, las**  
**nombre-s**, number  
**nominatiu-s**, nominative  
**nom-s**, name, noun  
**non = no**  
**nos = no se, no us**  
**nos**, pers. pron., we  
**nostre-s**, our  
**notar**, to mark  
**nous = no vos**  
**novel-s, noel-s**, new  
**noy- v. noi-**  
**nul-s, nulh-s, nuills**, no one  
**nut-z, nu-s**, naked

**O, ho, vo, or**; either . . . or  
**o, vo, it**  
**o**, where  
**obedir**, to obey  
**oblidamen-s**, forgetfulness  
**oblidar**, to forget  
**obra**, work  
**obrir, ubrir**, to open; past part., open  
**obs v. ops**  
**oil-s v. olh-s**  
**oit, ueich**, eight  
**ol = o** with article  
**oler**, to smell  
**olh-s, oill-s, oil-s**, eye  
**om, ome, homs, on**, man, husband, one  
**ombra**, shade  
**omnipoten-s**, omnipotent

**on, un, vont**, where, whence  
**onher**, to anoint  
**onorablamens**, honourably  
**onor-s, honor-s**, honour, domain  
**onques v. anc**  
**ops, obs**, need  
**ora, hora**, hour, time  
**orgoillar**, to be enraged  
**orgolh-s, orgoil-s**, anger, pride  
**orgue-s**, organ  
**ostalier-s**, host

**Pagar, payer**, to pay, satisfy  
**paga-s, paga-s**, pagan  
**paire, paer**, father  
**pais, pays**, country, land  
**paisser (v. list)**, to nourish, feed  
**palat-z, palais**, palace  
**pantais**, trouble, care  
**paor-s**, fear, terror  
**paratge-s, paratje-s**, rank, birth  
**paren-s**, relation, kinsman  
**paria**, company, intercourse  
**parlar**, to speak, talk  
**par-s**, pair, equal, kinsman; **sa par**, her like  
**participi-s**, participle  
**partimen-s**, parting, separation, jeu-parti  
**partir**, to share, separate, assign  
**part-z**, part, portion; prep., besides, above  
**parvensa**, appearance, manner  
**pa-s, pan-s**, bread  
**pasar, passar**, to pass, traverse, surpass, live  
**pastorela, pastourelle**  
**pastre**, shepherd  
**patz, pas**, peace, repose  
**pauc-s**, little, poor; **pauc**, little  
**pauzar**, to place, put, establish  
**peccaire, obl. peccador**, sinner  
**peccar**, to sin, fail  
**peccat-z**, sin, fault  
**peiro-s**, steps, perron  
**peitrina**, chest

pejer, worse  
 pel = per lo, la  
 pels = per los, las  
 pel-s, skin  
 pel-s, hair  
 pena, pain  
 pensamen-s, thought, care  
 pensar, pessar, to think  
 pensiu-s, pensive  
 per, pre, prep., through, after,  
     in, by, in place of, during;  
     per que, why, in order that  
 perdonar, to pardon  
 perdre, to lose  
 perfechamens, perfectly  
 perir, to perish, be lost  
 pero, but, however; pero que,  
     because, since  
 pertot, everywhere  
 pe-s, foot  
 pess- cf. pens-  
 petit-z, little  
 pezar, to weigh, have weight,  
     displease  
 piucela, maiden, virgin  
 piu-s, f. pia, pious  
 plaissat-z, hedge  
 planher (*v. list*), to complain,  
     lament  
 planh-s, plaint, lament  
 pla-s, plans, clear, polished,  
     simple  
 plazer, placer (*v. list*), to  
     please; part. pres., plazen-s,  
     agreeable, beautiful, pleasing  
 ple-s, plen-s, full, entire  
 plevir, to engage, promise  
 ploja, plueja, rain  
 plor-s, lament, tear  
 plural-s, plural  
 plus, pus, more, further; is  
     used to form the compar. and  
     superlat.  
 poble-s, pobol-s, people  
 pobolamen-s, population  
 poder (*v. list*), to be able; subs.,  
     power, might  
 poderos, powerful, mighty  
 pois, pueis, puis, since, after,  
     when

poissas, afterwards, then  
 ponh-s, poin-s, point-z,  
     point; with neg., nothing, not  
     at all  
 ponh-s, poing-s, fist  
 portar, to carry, direct  
 port-z, harbour; door  
 pos, pus, since, when  
 prat-z, meadow,  
 prec-s, prec-x, prayer  
 pregar, prejar, preguar, to  
     pray, ask  
 premier-s, primier-s, first;  
     — de, que, before that  
 prendeire, one who takes  
 prendre, penre (*v. list*), to  
     take, seize, begin; arrive, go  
 prestre, priest  
 pretz, price, value  
 prezar, to value, estimate;  
     pres. part., valued, valuable  
 primitiu-s, primitive  
 prim-s, first, fine, subtle; al  
     prim, at first  
 printems, spring  
 pro, enough, much  
 proaire, one who tries, or tests  
 probainamen-s, propagation  
 proeza, proessa, prowess,  
     valour  
 prometre, to promise  
 pronom-s, pronoun  
 propdanamens, near  
 prophetizamen-s, prophecy  
 propi-s, proper  
 pro-s, pro-z, brave, virtuous,  
     generous, noble  
 pur-s, pure, true

Qua- cf. ca-  
 qualitat-z, quality  
 qual-s, cal-s, who, which;  
     qual que, some  
 quan, can, quant, cant, when  
 quan, quant, how much  
 quatorze, fourteen  
 quatre, catre, four  
 que, quez, ques, that, in order  
     that, while, because, for;  
     than



**que, ques**, interrog. and rel. pron.

**querre, querer** (*v. list*), to complain, seek, ask

**qui, ki, chi**, who, which

**quo** *v. co*

**quo**, that, this

**Radeire**, barber

**rai-s, ray-s**, ray, sun

**raizo-s** *v. razo-s*

**rancurar**, to lament

**rasim-s**, raisin

**Rassa**, nickname of the eldest son of Henry II

**raza**, root

**razitz**, root

**razo-s**, reason, argument, subject

**recebre** (*v. list*), to receive, conceive

**recepta**, receipt

**recepte-s**, asylum, refuge

**reclamar**, to call, lament

**recobrir**, to re-cover

**recomençar**, to recommence

**refermar**, to strengthen

**refranher**, to repeat, claim

**refrescar**, to refresh

**regina** *v. reina*

**regisme-s**, kingdom

**regla, regola**, rule

**reina, reyna, regina**, queen

**rei-s, rey-s**, king

**remaner**, to remain, cease, end

**remembrar**, to recall, remember

**remirar**, to regard, look at

**rendre** (*v. list*), to give back, give, produce; reflex., to surrender

**renhamen-s**, reign

**renhar, reignar**, to reign

**repaus**, repose

**repensar**, to think again

**repropchier-s**, proverb

**re-s, re, ren**, thing, quantity, a little, something; with a neg., nothing

**resperir**, to wake

**resplandor-s**, splendour

**respos**, response, refrain

**ressidar**, to rouse, wake

**retener**, to hold back, prevent, abstain

**retentir**, to resound

**retomba**, bottle

**retornar**, to return, turn back

**retraire**, to hold back, return, relate, reproach, say

**retroensa**, a form of composition

**reva**, dream

**revelamen-s**, revelation

**revelhar**, to arouse

**ricor-s**, nobility, honour, riches

**ric-s, ric-x**, powerful, rich, great

**rire** (*v. list*), to laugh, joke

**ris**, laugh, smile

**romans**, the Romance language

**romans**, romance

**rosa** *v. roza*

**rota**, a Celtic instrument

**roza**, rose

**rudessa**, harshness, rudeness

**Saber, saver** (*v. list*), to know, comprehend

**saber-s**, knowledge, sense

**saboros, savoros**, sweet, savoury

**sabor-s, savor-s**, savour, taste, pleasure

**sagelar**, to seal

**sagel-s**, seal

**sagrar**, to sanctify, consecrate

**sai, sa**, here

**sain-s, sans-s, sanct**, saint

**salir, salhir**, to leap, go out

**saludaire**, greeting, saluting

**salut-z, salud**, safety, health, salutation

**salvaire**, saviour, preserver

**salvamens**, safety, health

**salvar**, to save, protect

**salvatge-s, salvatje-s**, savage, wild, harsh

**sanar**, to heal

**sanct** *v. sains*

**santitat-z, santetat-z**, saintliness

**santat-z**, health  
**saur-s**, blond, fair  
**sauteri-s**, psalter  
**saver** *v.* **saber**  
**saviemens**, wisely  
**savi-s**, wise  
**savor** *v.* **sabor**  
**sazo-s**, **saso-s**, season, time,  
     opportunity  
**se** *v.* **si**  
**se**, **si**, **sy**, reflex. pronoun  
**sec-s**, dry  
**segle-s**, century, time, world,  
     life  
**segon**, according to; **segon**  
     **que**, as  
**seign-**, **sein-**, *v.* **senh-**  
**seis**, six  
**semlan-s**, appearance, mien,  
     look  
**semblar**, to resemble, seem,  
     appear; pres. part., like  
**semelhar**, to resemble  
**sener** *v.* **senher**  
**senes** *v.* **ses**  
**senestre-s**, left  
**senher**, **seigner**, **sener**, sir,  
     master, husband  
**senhorejamen-s**, dominion,  
     master  
**sen-s**, **sen-z**, **sent-z**, sense,  
     wit, reason  
**sentir**, to feel, prove, try  
**sercle-s**, ring, circle  
**sermar**, to prepare  
**sermonamen-s**, sermon  
**serpen-s**, serpent  
**ser-s**, evening  
**serven-s**, servant, servitor  
**serventa**, maid-servant  
**serventes**, a form of composi-  
     tion  
**servir**, to serve, merit  
**servire**, servant; obl. **servidor**  
**ses**, **sens**, **senes**, without  
**se-s**, bosom  
**ses** = **si se**  
**set**, seven  
**setmana**, week  
**sezer**, **seder**, **seyre** (*v.* list),

to sit, be seated; **be sezen**,  
 prosperous  
**si**, **se**, if; **si no**, unless  
**si**, so, thus; used in making a  
     transition; **si cum**, for  
     example, as; although  
**sius**, **sieus** = **si vos**  
**signe-s**, sign, miracle  
**significar**, to show, signify  
**sillaba**, syllable  
**singular-s**, singular  
**sitot**, although  
**siular**, to whistle, pipe  
**so**, **zo**, **ço**, this, that, it  
**sobeira**, **sobira-s**, superior,  
     elect  
**sobern-s**, stream, current  
**sobre**, on, against, above,  
     beyond  
**sobrepojar**, to mount too high  
**socors**, succour, help  
**sofranher**, to be wanting, to  
     abandon  
**sofrir**, **suffrir**, to suffer, allow,  
     consent, abstain  
**sojornar**, to sojourn, dwell  
**sojorn-s**, sojourn  
**solamens**, alone, only; **mass.**,  
     only  
**solassar**, **solaçar**, to divert,  
     console  
**solat-z**, solace, pleasure  
**solehar**, impers., the sun  
     shines  
**solelh-s**, **soleil-s**, sun  
**soler** (*v.* list), to be wont  
**sol-s**, alone; **sol**, adv., only, if  
     only  
**sol-s**, soil  
**sol-s**, sun  
**somelhar**, to sleep  
**som-s**, sleep, dream  
**sonar**, to sound, call, speak  
**sonh-s**, care  
**soplejar**, to supplicate, pray  
**soptozamen**, suddenly  
**sor**, **sorre**, obl. **seror**, sister  
**sordejer**, worse  
**sort-z**, lot, fortune  
**so-s**, poss. adj., his, hers, its

so-s, son-s, sound, melody  
 sospirar, to sigh  
 sospir-s, sigh  
 sostener, to sustain, support,  
   preserve  
 soven, sovent, often  
 suau-s, soau-s, sweet, calm  
 substancia, substance  
 suf- cf. sof-  
 sus, on, above, over

Taŕur-s, deceitful cowardly  
 talan-s, talen-s, envy, wish  
 tal-s, such, some; tal, so  
 tanher (*v. list*), it is fitting,  
   necessary; to agree  
 tan-s, adv., tan, tant, so great,  
   so many, such; cen tans, a  
   hundred times as much; tan  
   ni quan, little nor much,  
   nothing  
 temer, to fear  
 tempesta, tempest  
 tempradura, melody  
 temps, tems, time, season,  
   weather  
 teneire, possessor  
 tener (*v. list*), to hold, have,  
   retain, consider, behave; refl.,  
   abstain  
 tanher, to tint, obscure  
 terra, land, property  
 tezauramen-s, treasure  
 tezaur-s, treasure  
 toalha, toailla, serviette  
 toizo-s, fleece  
 tolre, (*v. list*), to take away, take  
 tombar, to tumble, cut capers  
 tondeire, barber  
 tornar, to turn, return, change,  
   become  
 torn-s, turn, repetition  
 tostems, always  
 tot-z, all, each, whole; tot,  
   entirely  
 trab- cf. treb-  
 trahir, trair (*v. list.*), to draw,  
   conduct, go, except, suffer;  
 traire fors, to except; reflex.,  
   to approach

trametre, to send  
 trasgitamen-s, juggling  
 trastot-z = tot-z  
 trebalha, trabalha, misery,  
   anxiety  
 trebalhar, trebaillar, to tor-  
   ment, trouble, be fatigued,  
   work  
 trebalh-s, trouble, pain, chagrin  
 trei, tres, three  
 tremoja, hopper, mill-hopper  
 trencamen-s, breaking  
 trenta, thirty  
 triadamens, neatly  
 triar, to choose, distinguish  
 triplar, to treble  
 tro, until; tro que, to such a  
   point that  
 troba, invention  
 trobar, to find, sing, compose  
 troja, sow  
 trop, too much, too, very  
 truan-s, vagrant, beggar  
 tut-z *v. tot-z*

Ufrir, uffrir, to open  
 uma-s, huma-s, humane, kind  
 u-s, un-s, one  
 uzadamens, usually  
 uzura, usury

Vair-s, voire-s, varied, various,  
   different  
 valen-s, valiant, brave  
 valer (*v. list*), to be worth,  
   profit, aid  
 valor-s, valour, worth, virtue  
 vas *v. ves*  
 veiri-s, of glass  
 vejaire-s, mien, appearance;  
   m'es v., it appears to me  
 velhar, to wake  
 vencer (*v. list*), to conquer, win  
 venir (*v. list*), to come, agree  
 venjamen-s, vengeance  
 ven-s, wind  
 ventailla, vizer  
 verai-s, true, sincere  
 verbe-s, verb  
 verdor-s, verdure, spring

**verga**, rod  
**vergina**, virgin  
**verge-s**, virgin  
**vergier-s**, garden  
**vermelh-s**, red  
**ver-s**, true; truth; **perver**, truly  
**vers**, verse, poem  
**vertatz-**, truth  
**vert-z**, green  
**ves v. vetz**  
**ves, vas, vers**, towards, against  
**vestimen-s**, vesture, clothing  
**vetz, ves**, time  
**vezar**, to prove; past part., tried,  
     adroit  
**vezer** (*v. list*), to see  
**vezi-s**, near, neighbouring  
**via**, way  
**vianda**, food  
**viatz**, quick  
**vida, via**, life

**viellart-z**, old man  
**vila-s**, rustic, uncourtly  
**vint**, twenty  
**violadura**, an air of the viol  
**violar v. viular**  
**virar**, to turn, change  
**vi-s, vin-s**, wine  
**viular**, to play the viol  
**viure** (*v. list*), to live; **a mon**  
     **viven**, in my life  
**viu-s**, living, alive  
**vocatiu-s**, vocative  
**voit-z, f. voja**, empty.  
**voler** (*v. list*), to wish, desire  
**volontat-z**, will, wish  
**volvre** (*v. list.*), to turn, change,  
     attune  
**vostre**, your  
**vulgar-s**, the vernacular, com-  
     mon speech

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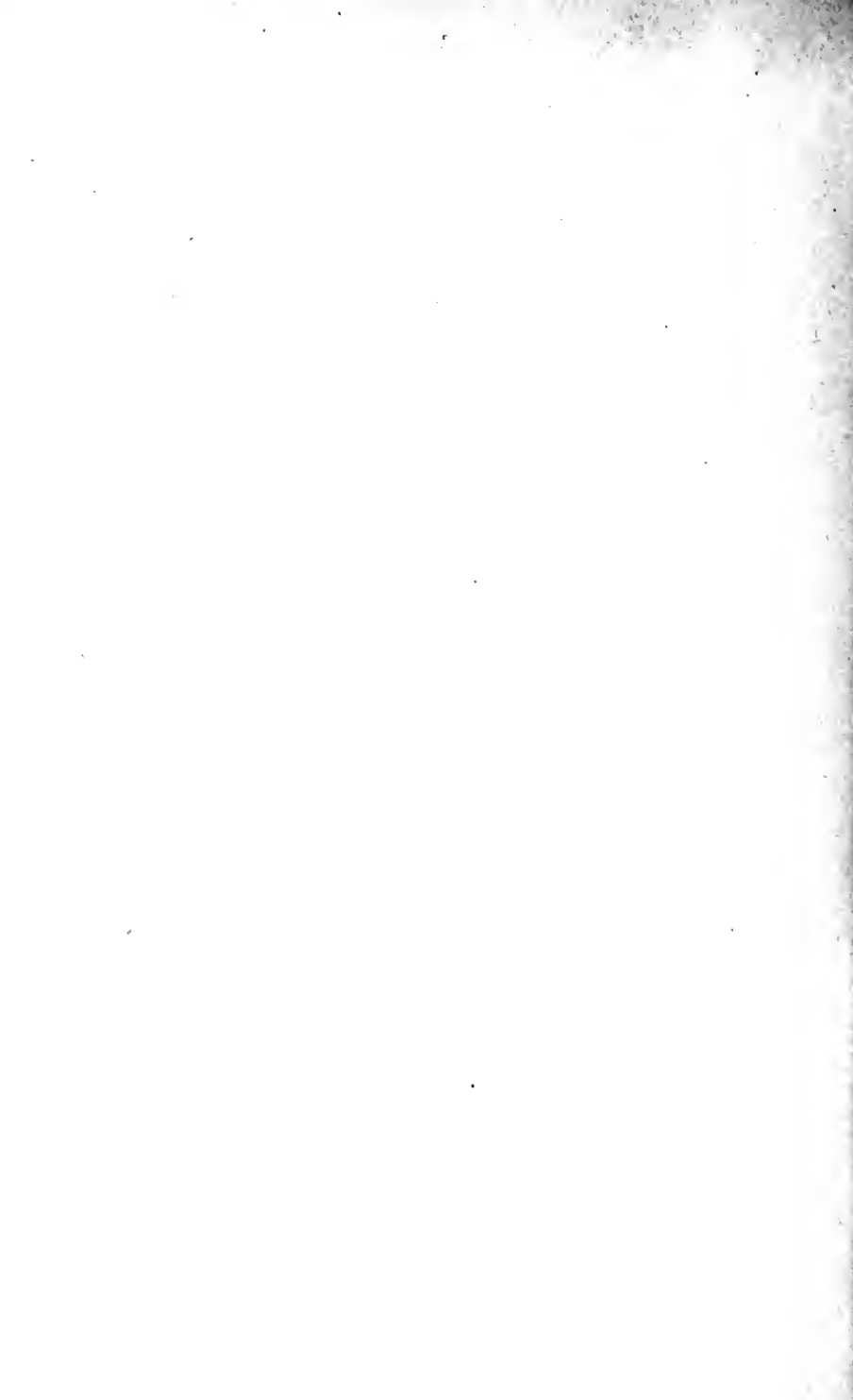
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